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FEAR OF GAG OVER HOSPITAL DEBATES

By Adam Burling

THE small number of places available at public meetings to discuss the future of Kidderminster Hospital have sparked claims that people are not being given the chance to have a proper say.

Just 150 places are available at two meetings to discuss the closure-threatened hospital.

An extra meeting was organised after all 75 places for the first one on Saturday were snapped up. There will now be another on July 3. But residents say it is not fair that such a small percentage of the Wyre Forest population can attend the events.

It has emerged that the hospital could close as part of a shake-up of healthcare services in Worcestershire.

Six options have been forwarded for the future of hospital services, with two possibly spelling the end for the Kidderminster site.

The hospital lost its accident and emergency department when it was downgraded by the Government in 2000.

Kidderminster councillor Helen Dyke is among those angry at the small number of places available at the public meetings

Accusations

She said: "This is not open and transparent, which is what the health authority is supposed to be. By limiting the amount of people who can attend these meetings they are attracting accusations that there is something to hide."

Wyre Forest Labour deputy leader Councillor Howard Martin said: "I would have thought there would be a lot more than 150 people in Wyre Forest interested in having a say.

"The town hall has a capacity of about 350. I wouldn't want anybody to be excluded. I just hope this is the start of the consultation and there are other opportunities."

Trust spokeswoman Catherine Ainsworth said: "This is a structured event with round table discussions to give people a proper opportunity to have their say in a measured way so their thoughts can be properly captured.

"We have put on the extra event so people can have a similar opportunity. We want everyone to have their say and be able to go through complex issues with the clinicians."

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Carnival rolls out the carpet for fun

Carnival Queen Hannah Cornish presents the carpet race trophy to West Midland Safari Park zoo keepers, from left, Lawrence Bates, Ian Nock, Kirk Tudor, mascot lion Jordan Hatch and Lewis Hodson

THE West Midland Safari Park zoo keepers took the honours in the carpet race at Kidderminster carnival at the weekend.

The race was one of the highlights at the event which saw thousands of people flock to the Brinton Park showground.

As well as the carpet race children's entertainer Steve Harley and his team entertained the crowds with circus skills, and his drumming team from St John's CE Primary School kept the beat up. Other entertainers included Toni-Jayne Bouncer who produced some energetic zumba and the Silver Shadow Baton Twirlers who gave a display in the main arena.

Carnival chairman Colin Hill said: "The bandstand showcase of talent featured nine acts and proved a big draw, giving the carnival a festival atmosphere as people gathered to listen, sitting on the grass, standing, dancing along. There was a great atmosphere and some very talented performers."

There were also a number of stalls, plus the a Harriers penalty shoot-out, a bouncy castle, quad bikes, and donkey rides.

The carnival was raising money for the 1st Kidderminster Boy's Brigade minibus appeal.

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Sales up 15pc at Victoria Carpets

THE Kidderminster-based carpet group Victoria has revealed a rise in UK sales of 15.4 per cent in the last year.

Pre-tax profits were down 19.6 per cent to £1.55 million but managing director Alan Bullock said that reflected investment in new products.

He said that sales from the group's new range of luxury vinyl tiles and its Options 288 high quality carpet range should boost sales and profits for the current financial year.

Group revenue for the year to the end of March was up 9.4 per cent to £77.1m. Sales in Australia rose by only 1.5 per cent.

UK sales included strong growth at the John Lewis Partnership where a new programme of carpet ranges was introduced last year.

The group employs 730 staff including 200 in Kidderminster.

Meanwhile Carpetright, the carpet retailer which has 490 stories in the UK including outlets in Kidderminster, Droitwich, Dudley and Worcester, saw profits slump to £4 million.

The firm insisted it was hopeful for the future.

Its profits were £17m last year and £62m in 2008. Like-for-like sales in the UK were down 0.2 per cent over the year to April 28 but Carpetright said there was "cause for optimism" in recent trading.

Road delays after crash

DRIVERS faced long tailbacks after a crash on a busy Kidderminster route.

A motorcyclist was taken to hospital after his bike collided with a car near Kidderminster station.

The crash, involving a Nissan and a KTM 125 Duke motorbike, happened at the junction of Comberton Hill and Station Approach.

The road was shut for an hour, causing queues to build up into the town centre. The car driver is not thought have been injured.

Farmers' market to boost the town

KIDDERMINSTER town centre will get a boost with the revival of a farmers'' market in August.

The Worcestershire Farmers' Market Group which operates in Bromsgrove, Droitwich, Malvern and Worcester, will set up stalls in Kidderminster on the second Friday of each month, starting on August 10.

"It's something to celebrate for Kidderminster, providing a draw for people to come into the town to buy fresh, local produce," said Henry Wormington, who coordinates the market.

"It's been a few years since Kidderminster had a farmers' market and it will be really good for other traders in the town, bringing more shoppers in.

"The produce on sale will be seasonal, meaning people can buy the freshest goods," he added.

The 15-stall market will be in either High Street or nearby Vicar Street.

The council's town centre manager Peter Michael said attracting the market was part of a major drive to kick-start trade in Kidderminster. He said the town centre had suffered after the loss of major retailers to the Crossley Park and Weavers Wharf developments.

"The nature of the high street is changing and we are having to reinvent it."

Car stolen by burglars

BURGLARS broke into a Stourport home and took keys to two cars, although only one was driven away – a Land Rover Freelander, BG57AYM.

The theft happened at the weekend off Areley Common.

The thieves also took a brown leather Mantaray handbag. Anyone with information is asked to call 0300 333 3000.

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Warning as pensioner is targeted by thieves

POLICE have warned shoppers to be on their guard after a pensioner's bank cards were stolen by distraction thieves outside a Kidderminster store.

Officers are appealing for witnesses and information following the incident in the car park at Morrisons in Green Street.

The victim, a woman in her 70s from Wyre Forest, had just returned to her car after shopping when she was approached by a woman asking for directions.

The woman, who spoke with an east European accent, showed her a map and led her away from the car.

Missing

It is thought that while the victim was distracted an accomplice entered her vehicle and stole her bank cards from a handbag left inside.

The pensioner only realised her cards were missing when she drove to another store and tried to pay for items.

Pc Dominic Lane said: "We think the victim was targeted in the store and followed through the tills where her PIN number was seen."

The woman who distracted the pensioner was around 5ft 6 ins and wearing a sand coloured, woolly hat. Police want to hear from anyone who may have seen her and anyone she was with.

Railway's nostalgic trip back in time

Pitsford Home Guard members Pt. John Drake and Pt. Barry Roberts

Ian Latimer with Jo Bourke

Maurice and Dorothy Taylor of Coseley

DAD'S ARMY camped out at the Severn Valley Railway as visitors took a step back in time to see what life was like in the 1940s.

Crowds flocked to stations along the line between Kidderminster and Bridgnorth to soak up the event.

Among the 500-plus re-enactors who took part were 15 men posing as members of the Pitsford Home Guard, in Northampton.

The group, ranging in age from 14 to 83, camped in tents at Arley station over the weekend and spoke to visitors about the Home Guard's role in the First World War, as well as demonstrating drills.

Telecoms worker Ian Rivett, aged 55, who helped set up the group in 2005, said: "This event is absolutely fantastic."

Jewellery stolen in break-in

POLICE are appealing for information following a burglary in Bewdley in which jewellery of sentimental value was stolen.

The break-in happened at the weekend in Wyre Hill.

The thieves ransacked the house before taking the jewellery.

The haul included a white gold wedding ring with feather style engraving worth £400, a small white gold ring with three diamonds worth £300, and an 18-carat gold sapphire and diamond ring worth £700.

Also stolen were an 18-carat gold opal and diamond ring worth £1,000, a gold bracelet with six ivory and six gold elephant charms worth £250, a seven strand silver necklace with a small rose worth £200, a number of silver teaspoons and a napkin ring worth £300 in total, and a silver christening mug worth £200 which has a name and date (1976) engraved on it.

Pc Adrian Bartlett said: "These items have sentimental value to the owner and cannot be replaced.

Anyone with information is asked to call 0300 333 3000, quoting incident 67-S-250612.

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Families flock to enjoy town's big carnival day

CROWDS turned out to enjoy the annual Kidderminster Carnival and parade through the town's streets.

One of the main attractions at the event, which took place at Brinton Park on Saturday afternoon, was a parade which saw businesses, charities and volunteer organisations take part.

It was the second time the foot parade had been held after organisers decided to scrap the float procession due to the gradually falling entry numbers for the event.

People of all ages donned fancy dress as they made their way from the town's Brinton Park in front of thousands.

Activities

Carnival Queen Hannah Cornish, 14, a pupil at Wolverley CE High School, greeted the crowds joined by 12-year-old princess, Chantelle Kimberley, who attends St Ambrose RC Primary School.

There were also stalls and live music, along with games and activities.

Carnival chairman Colin Hill said: "The bandstand showcase of talent featured nine acts and proved a big draw, giving the carnival a festival atmosphere as people gathered to listen, sitting on the grass, standing and, dancing along."

Crowds of families turned out to enjoy themselves at the carnival

Mark Hull with Darci, three

Pauline and Greg Storer with twins Laila and Evie Hale

Katie Bridge, aged seven, with mother Debbie

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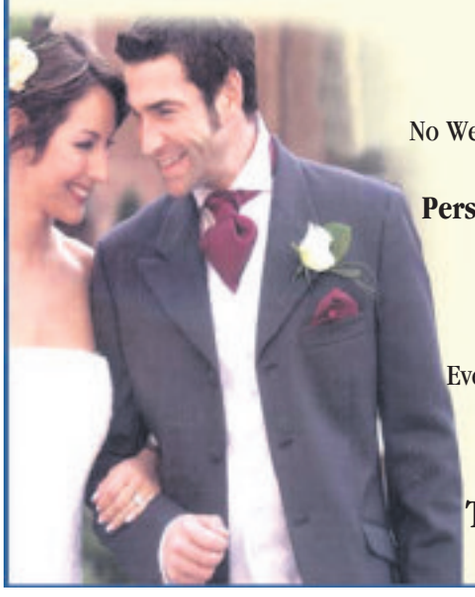

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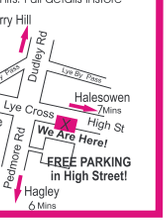

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History on wheels at festival display

Museum staff members Pippa Ashmore, left, and Sarah Gillam in a Morgan belonging to volunteer Tony Rice

MORE than 200 historic vehicles will be on show at Worcestershire County Museum's annual Festival of Transport on Sunday.

The event at Hartlebury Castle will showcase vintage cars, bicycles and motorbikes. Displays will also include tractors, steam engines and a selection of vintage Aston Martins.

Visitors will also be treated to a gift and craft fair in the castle's state rooms and will have the chance to purchase transport-inspired works of art.

Steve Smith, museum technician, said: "This event has proved to be one of the most colourful and most popular in the museum's calendar and we're looking forward to hosting it again."

As well as the special Festival of Transport vehicles visitors will be able to see the museum's own transport collection.

It includes gypsy caravans and other horse-drawn vehicles, a fire engine, hearse, ambulance and a Castle 3 – a unique three-wheeled car built in Kidderminster in the 1920s. The museum's temporary exhibition looking at the world of the Georgians will also be open to visitors.

And the castle's cafe will be serving meals and snacks throughout the day.

Admission is £5 for adults, £2.50 for concessions and children and £13 for a family ticket (two adults and two children). The event runs from 11am-5pm.

To find out more call 01299 250416 or go to the website www.museumsworcestershire.org.uk

£24.5m campus planned

A £24.5 million learning campus with a boarding house, teaching blocks and sports pitches could be built on the same site as two Kidderminster schools under new plans.

The campus would include a special school for 220 pupils, a new science block, an early years teaching block and boarding house. They would be built on the site of Baxter College and St John's Primary School, which would be refurbished and extended.

Classrooms and the science laboratories would be shared by the schools. New sports facilities, including a floodlit artificial pitch and multi-use games area would be open to the community.

The plans have been drawn up by Worcestershire County Council to bring mainstream and special school pupils together to use the same facilities.

The new special school, called Wyre Forest School, would replace the existing Stourminster and Blakebrook Schools in Kidderminster, to cater for pupils from two to 19 with special educational needs.

Cabinet member for transformation and change, Councillor David Thain said: "This £24.5m project is a totally integrated education facility that brings mainstream and special school pupils together to use the same facilities."

The plans have been submitted to the district council.

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Cherry tree marks Lions' anniversary

Colin Hill digs in as part of the Lions tree challenge

KIDDERMINSTER Lions president Colin Hill planted an ornamental cherry tree to mark club's 37th charter anniversary.

More than 50 members and friends were at the event at Bodenham Arboretum.

Planting trees by Lions members is a worldwide initiative launched by the Lions' international President Wing-Kun Tam who challenged the Lions of the world to plant a million trees – and so far over seven million have been planted.

The Kidderminster Club, with the help of St Mary's primary school, planted 100 trees in Springfield park earlier in the year, helping to achieve the grand total.

This was Colin Hill's last duty as president. He hands over the mantle to Terry White.

Facelift plan in pipeline at last for iconic bridge

ESSENTIAL repairs are to be carried out on landmark Bewdley Bridge at last – nearly two years after calls first went out for maintenance to be done there.

By Lee Watton

Years of floods and bad weather have taken their toll on the bridge, which dates back to 1798, leaving stone and metal work heavily worn. Plans have now been submitted to Wyre Forest District Council for improvements on the Grade-I listed structure with the consultation period already under way. The aim is to start work as soon as possible.

If approval is given work would take place within the present financial year, according to town county councillor and district council leader John Campion.

The scheme would see five heavily weathered stone pilasters – columns running along the bridge – removed and replaced.

Restored

Iron bottle pilasters along the Beale's Corner approach to the bridge would also be repainted as part of the project.

Damaged cast iron railings along Riverside North would also be taken from the site and straightened before being restored.

The project would be carried out by Worcestershire County Council in partnership with the district council and English Heritage. Calls have been made for substantial maintenance work to be carried out at the bridge, considered an iconic part of the town, since 2010.

The structure was designed by Thomas Telford and built by Shrewsbury-based contractor John Simpson for £9,000.

It originally had a toll house but this was demolished in the 1960s.

Councillor Campion said the maintenance to the bridge was taking place as part of a programme of works on structures across the area.

"Understandably any work on the bridge takes a lot of money to carry out because of its historic nature," he said.

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Political leaders meet over threat to hospital

WYRE Forest's political leaders have met to discuss strategy to preserve services at Kidderminster's hospital.

The meeting was called by Wyre Forest MP Mark Garnier in response to the joint services review, conducted by the Worcestershire Acute Hospitals Trust, over the future of the county's acute hospital provision.

Mr Garnier said he was keen to gather the area's political parties together to establish a coalition of elected representatives.

All at the meeting agreed that the way forward was to push the case for the options that would guarantee no changes to services at Kidderminster.

Significant

Attendees included Labour's Howard Martin, Liberal Fran Oborski, Health Concern's Nigel Thomas, Independent Helen Dyke, and Conservative Marcus Hart.

Tory MP Mr Garnier said: "This meeting was a small but significant step on the road to ensuring services stay at Kidderminster.

"Securing a single voice amongst those parties elected by Wyre Forest residents is the strongest message we can deliver to the Acute Trust that we are determined to maintain the status quo locally.

"I am incredibly grateful to all who came for their single-minded determination to repay the trust given to them by the people of Wyre Forest by working as one for the benefit of our community in the important area of healthcare."

Boy bags membership

Bagpipe player Cameron Doe, aged 13, with Paul Gittins, left, and Jeffrey Styles, from the Bewdley branch of the British Legion

A SCHOOLBOY bagpipe player has become one of the country's youngest Royal British Legion members.

Cameron Doe, aged 13, has supported the Bewdley branch for more than a year.

He began by playing the bagpipes with his father Henry at events including the launch of the annual poppy appeal.

Now the Bewdley High School pupil, from Crossway Green, Stourport, has become a fully-fledged member. He was welcomed during a jubilee celebration at the Black Boy Hotel, Bewdley, where he was presented with a new kilt pin to replace one he lost while entertaining crowds in the town centre.

Branch spokesman Keith Thompson said: "When the members heard about it they decided to have a whip-round and help him buy a new one. For us, Cameron is an inspiration to the youth of today."

Flower festival invite

St Peter's Church, Upper Arley, holds a flower festival from tomorrow (Friday) to Monday to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. It will be open 10-4.30pm each day. There is also a Songs of Praise on Sunday-with the Alveley Singers.

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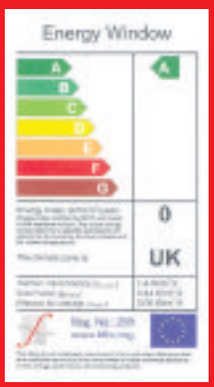

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Action on vandalism promised

ACTION will be taken over a block of shops and flats that has attracted vandalism and fly-tipping.

Five of the six shops in the block, in Beech Road, Kingswinford, are boarded up and although the six flats above are occupied the gardens are overgrown and piles of rubbish have been dumped there.

Dudley Council says it will hold talks with residents and police to prevent further problems and identify those responsible.

Council and college join forces to help find apprentice places

A GRANT scheme to support local businesses to take on apprentices is being launched by Wyre Forest District Council.

It has joined with Kidderminster College to help Wyre Forest businesses employ local residents.

The council is making £50,000 available and businesses will be able to apply for up to £5,000 to help fund an apprentice.

The initiative is a result of the council's ReWyre State of the Area debate held earlier this year. The debate looked at ways the council could help the district towards local economic recovery.

Councillor John Campion, council leader, said: "There was a very strong message from the debate that the council could do more to help the take-up of apprenticeships.

"We have listened and plan to take on more apprentices within the council. We also want to help local businesses take on local residents through the National Apprenticeships Programme and we are pleased to be able to kick this off with £50,000 worth of support.

Councillor Fran Oborski, Member Champion for Skills, said: "The council is keen to launch this initiative to offer school leavers an alternative route into the workplace.

Delight

"Any business in Wyre Forest who is willing to take on a resident of Wyre Forest as an apprentice can get up to £5,000 of support from the council to cover the cost of employing them. This is in addition to any other funding that the government may be offering."

Stella Hammond, of Kidderminster College, said: "We're delighted to be involved in this partnership."

The scheme begins on July 1. Email council regeneration manager Peter Smith at peter.smith@wyreforestdc.gov.uk or call 01562 732554. Alternatively, call the college business development unit on 01562 826 501or email bdu@kidderminster.ac.uk

Business has help available

GROWING businesses in the Black Country are being reminded that they can take advantage of free support and advice to help them expand.

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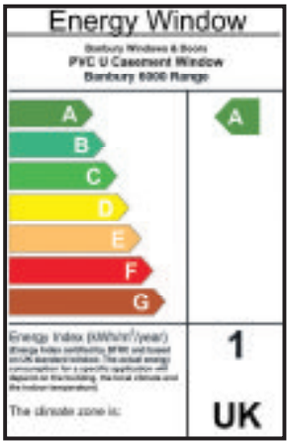

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Thousands flock to country fair

Holly Bond with niece Sophia Smith, aged six, who went along in period dress as part of a fancy dress contest

THOUSANDS of people turned out to enjoy this year's Kinver Country Fair.

The event was held in the heart of the South Staffordshire village and opened with a grand parade led by shire horses from the Midlands Heavy Horse Association

An arena was set up to stage events such as a dog show, falconry and medieval battles, while there was also a display of motorbikes – with some of the vehicles dating back nearly 100 years.

Meanwhile, musicians and dancers from the region also performed and dozens of stalls were also set up featuring arts, crafts and foods. Mary-Jane and Stuart Hickman, from Horsefair in Kidderminster took along their 13-year-old daughter Jessica and dogs Sam and Gibbs.

Holly Bond from Kinver was there with niece Sophia Smith, aged six, who was wearing a period costume as part of the fancy dress competition.

Helping pupils with curriculum

A FIRM in Kidderminster which offers children extra tuition is blaming the demanding national curriculum for a surge in parents seeking extra help for their children.

First Class Learning, owned by husband and wife team Andrew and Sara Wisdom, has seen 50 youngsters through its doors in the past 18 months.

They say most children they see are struggling with the national curriculum.

Their pupils range from young children who require extra long-term assistance to teenagers needing to revise thoroughly ahead of GCSE exams.

Mr Wisdom said parents who came to them for help said the national curriculum was "demanding".

He said: "It's no secret that many young people struggle with the pace of the national curriculum.

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Parents warned over bad parking at shcool

PARENTS are being warned not to park illegally outside a primary school because of safety fears for the pupils.

Police say they are concerned over the number of cars left inconsiderately on or near to zig-zag lines on the road at Glynne Primary School, Cot Lane, Kingswinford.

Letters have been sent to parents highlighting the dangers and officers say anyone who ignores the warnings could face a fixed penalty notice. Pcso Paul Thomas got involved after complaints at local community meetings.

He said: "One of the main areas of concern for us has been around Glynne Primary School and as a result we have been working closely with them to help educate drivers and stop the problem.

"We really want to drive the message home that inc-onsiderate parking is not just a nuisance – it can create a real danger for school children in terms of reducing their field of view when leaving the school premises.

"With this in mind I really hope that the work we have done with the school and the letters that have been sent out have the desired affect as we really don't want to have to issue anyone with fixed penalty notices."

Headteacher Sue Cameron said: "It is an ongoing problem, but not one which is not seen outside any school gate across the country."

Pupils get a green insight

Bobby the Boiler meets pupils at Bewdley, and teacher Kate Breakwell

CHILDREN at Bewdley Primary School were given an unusual insight into the importance of a green lifestyle.

For Science Week, Worcester, Bosch Group's Bobby the Boiler paid the school a visit to show pupils easy and fun ways in which they could save energy and protect the environment.

Teacher Kate Breakwell said the school was delighted at the visit.

"The informative discussions excited the children and they all loved having Bobby the Boiler in class for the day. There are many things we can all be doing to cut down on energy and we hope knowing the difference that can be made will be habits our pupils take on as they grow older."

Sue Pennington of Worcester, Bosch Group said: "Energy-efficiency is close to our hearts. We hope the pupils enjoyed the visit and we will look forward to going back and seeing how they are all getting on with energy saving."

Forum's train treat

WALSALL Disability Forum enjoyed a day out at Severn Trent Valley Railway, boarding a steam train from Kidderminster to Highley. The group also went to the Engine House Visitor and Education Centre, which has a collection of steam locomotives and exhibitions.

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Usain Bolt – a hot favourite for the Olympics 100m

Radford winning in his international jersey

Radford racing in a 200m race at Aldersley Stadium

Day when a local hero broke two world records

THE Olympic Games are almost upon us, and the hottest ticket is that for the men's 100m final to see World Record Holder, Usain Bolt.

But 50 years ago huge crowds flocked to Aldersley Stadium, to watch a local Olympic sprinter break world records right here in Wolverhampton, Peter Radford.

He was born in Walsall on September 20, 1939, and went to school at Tettenhall College. As a child he was confined to a wheelchair for a time, with a serious kidney disease, but when he was 12 years old he took up running, and joined Birchfield Harriers.

His talent as a sprinter was soon recognised and in 1955 he won the English Schools Intermediate 100 yards title. By 1958 he was in the senior Great Britain team and won a bronze medal at the 1958 European Championships, and a silver in the 4 x 100 metre relay.

MEMORY LANE

by Alec Brew

He won gold at the 1958 Commonwealth Games in the 4 x 110 yards relay. He set a European record for the 200m of 20.8 seconds, running in Paris.

Progress

On May 28, 1960, competing in the Staffordshire Championships at Aldersley Stadium he set a world record for 220 yards of 20.5 secs, and this time was recognised as the record for the 200m as well. He had broken two world records in one race.

He went to the 1960 Rome Olympics as clear favourite for the 200m. He took a bronze medal in the 100m, but did not progress beyond the semi-final in the longer distance. In the days before sprinters were seeded, all three of his main rivals were drawn in the same semi-final as Radford. He ran a poor race by his standards and only came fourth, being eliminated. There was some compensation when he one another bronze in the 4 x 100 m relay.

Radford's career faltered after that. He won another gold in the 1962 Commonwealth Games relay, but he was only a quarter finalist in both the 100m and the 200m at the Tokyo Olympics in 1964.

Though he wore the Great Britain international vest 24 times, his great days were behind him. From 1965 on he retired from athletics due to injury, and lived and worked in Canada and the United States for 12 years. He became Professor of Sport at both Glasgow and Brunel Universities, and also became chairman of UK athletics in the 90s.

Peter Radford winning a 100m at Aldersley

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Author in visit for library talk

THE millionaire who gave up everything to become an author was visiting Worcestershire County Council's Hagley Libary today (Thursday).

David Edwards gave up his high-flying job to travel the UK in a caravan as an author. He has recently published a new novel called The Ebb and Flow.

Jas Payne, library manager said: "We're delighted to have David visiting to talk about his new book and his experiences.

Council praised for improving its child safeguarding services

AN Improvement Notice on Worcestershire County Council's safeguarding service has been lifted after an Ofsted inspection.

Tim Loughton, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Children and Families, lifted the notice which was issued in January 2011.

In a letter to county council leader Councillor Adrian Hardman, Mr Loughton congratulated council officers, partners and senior management for "decisive action".

He noted improvements in quality of practice, and clear signs that the authority is developing a culture which is child centred.

He highlighted the focus on raising standard across children's social care services, as well as strong engagement with partners around domestic violence and children missing from home.

The local authority was congratulated for "strong and rapid improvements".

The notice to improve was imposed after an inspection judged the overall effectiveness of the council's safeguarding services to be inadequate.

The council put in place an improvement board to oversee the implementation of Ofsted's recommendations. And this March, a re-inspection judged the safeguarding services to be adequate, with leadership and management judged as good.

Councillor Liz Eyre, the county's lead member for children's services, said: "Huge thanks are due to all the staff. I am confident...we have the necessary commitment and capacity to keep the momentum going. We are not complacent. There is more to do."

Councillor Hardman added: "This is extremely good news not only for the council but for children in Worcestershire. Our ambition now is to move to 'good' and this is a great start in that journey."

Gail Quinton, director of children's services said: "This could not be achieved without the hard work of staff at all levels."

Drivers are warned of campaign

PEOPLE in Worcestershire are being reminded not to drink and drive this summer.

The Safer Roads Partnership launched a road safety campaign at the start of June to warn people of the risks of mixing drinking or drugs with driving.

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Plan to rent out council's new chamber to raise cash

A COUNCIL chamber at a new £10 million headquarters in the Midlands could be hired out to theatre groups to raise cash.

Rooms at Wyre Forest District Council's base in Kidderminster would cost up to £120 a day to rent when it opens in September, if the plan goes ahead.

Eight rooms would be available for meetings and events.

Plans to create the new HQ at Finepoint Business Park have been controversial, with some councillors saying that the cash could have been better spent in other areas.

But the authority says having services under one roof will help save around £500,000 every year. And it is hoped renting the premises out could raise thousands of pounds.

Cabaret

Councillors are to start meeting at the building in September and construction work is expected to be completed on July 30.

Five of the rooms including the chamber are suitable for cabaret, while three can be used for theatre or as a boardroom, a report to the council says. The chamber, which can hold 60 people, would cost £20 an hour, £65 per half day or £120 a day. Other rooms would range from £55 to £100 a day.

The report adds: "To enable the facilities to be used effectively and efficiently it is proposed we offer the use of the meeting rooms in the public access part of the building to council partners, local public sector, charity and voluntary organisations."

School in triple triumph

A SCHOOL in Kidderminster has been judged to be good by Ofsted inspectors.

Staff and pupils at Blakedown Primary in Birmingham Road were delighted that Ofsted commented on the calm and productive atmosphere, and how pupils showed respect for each other and adults.

A key strength of the school and its curriculum was found to be its good spiritual, moral, social and cultural development.

Headteacher Helen Beckford-Bond was praised for promoting an ethos of strong teamwork among staff, and her quick response to improve areas of need. The governing body was also praised.

Areas for development included the need for increased opportunities for pupils to develop mathematical skills.

The church school also has a Statutory Inspection of Anglican Schools (SIAS), and it was awarded "outstanding" in all areas.

And the school has been awarded an Eco-Schools Green flag for the third time. The international award programme guides schools towards sustainability.

Olympic task

WORCESTERSHIRE Firefighters are completing a charity challenge to walk, run, row and cycle 5,250-miles – the length of the Olympic torch route from Beijing to London.

Pupils discover how their garden grows

Front to back, Michael Potter, Tilly Banner, Evangeline Atkinsonand Sophie Sherwood

James Marlow, four, and Alexander Johnson, three

PUPILS at Holy Trinity International School's nursery in Kidderminster have been getting their hands dirty, digging and planting seeds in their own garden allotments.

Nursery assistant Joanne Potter said: "The children love planting seeds and watching as they grow, especially when they can eat them straight from the garden."

The plants include sunflowers, tomatoes, radishes, carrots and chives.

Miss Potter said: "Gardening is an activity which all children can enjoy. It's lots of fun and an activity which encourages the children to build confidence and communication and speech skills, as well as helping them interact with others."

Man, 40 in faked claims

A MAN from Blakedown near Kidderminster made false insurance claims for three televisions worth more than £23,000 after his home was burgled twice, a court heard.

Anthony Gauntlett, 40, made two claims of £90,000 to Direct Line Insurance after his home in Wannerton Road was broken into in 2008, and again in 2010. He received a £26,000 pay-out for the first claim, but the second was met with suspicion by the insurance firm.

Police searched his home and discovered that bogus sales receipts were used to claim for the televisions.

The total value of the false claims was £23,730.

At Worcester Crown Court, Gauntlett pleaded guilty to two charges of fraud by misrepresentation.

The insurance company, did not dispute the burglaries, and Balbir Singh, defending, said the frauds were impulsive, and not planned.

Judge QC Robert Jukes warned Gauntlett he could receive a jail sentence.

The case was adjourned for pre-sentence reports.

Gauntlett will be sentenced at the same court on July 2.

Picnic invitation

THE Bishops Wood Centre in Worcestershire hosts a Butterfly Picnic on July 1 at 1-4.30pm. It will include guided walks and face painting. Call 01299 250513.

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YVONNE looking for Christian male for friendship, maybe more. **Tel No: 0906 500 3955 Box No: 391135**

MADELINE 5ft black seeks male 26-41 with GSOH for friendship, maybe more. **Tel No: 0906 500 3955 Box No: 375789**

PATRICIA 5ft 5ins, red hair, blue eyes, likes nights out, meals, clubs, seeking nice young man who is kind, generous to look after me. **Tel No: 0906 500 3955 Box No: 378207**

LADY widow, 58, slim, brown hair, blue eyes, seeks smart, intelligent, easygoing man with GSOH who enjoys conversations, days out, short breaks, meals out. **Tel No: 0906 500 3955 Box No: 387247**

WIDOW 70, genuine, kind, caring, laidback, seeking male for friendship. **Tel No: 0906 500 3955 Box No: 387013**

EASYGOING down to earth female, likes cooking, exploring new things in life, seeks male. **Tel No: 0906 500 3955 Box No: 386893**

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NICOLE attractive, blonde, green eyes, young 51, professional, own home, 2 boys, loves jazz, countryside, dogs, seeks genuine male. **Tel No: 0906 500 3955 Box No: 390244**

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ANNA 29yr old nurse, 6ft curvy auburn beauty, likes cosy nights in, genuinely seeking older, well built male to look after, 40-69yrs. **Tel No: 0906 500 3955 Box No: 375139**

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SINGLE dad, 44, slim, good looking, seeks genuine lady, N/S for special times, nights in and out. **Tel No: 0906 500 3955 Box No: 367415**

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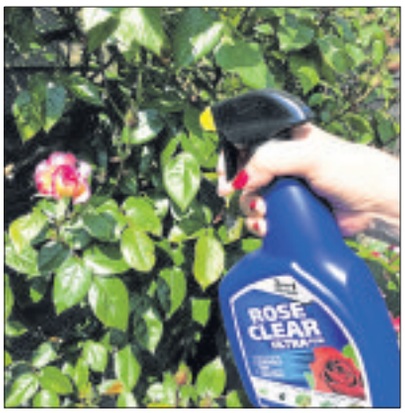

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Roses are available in many forms – dwarf growers for patio pots, medium growers for flower beds as tidy bushes, or tall varieties for rambling and climbing up fences, walls and sheds.

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All varieties of roses are susceptible to attack by aphids. These greenfly or plant lice suck away plant sap and multiply like stink, so that a few flying in one day can create a destructive colony in a week or two.

Lasting

To kill them off and prevent future attack, it's best to use a systemic insecticide such as BugClear Ultra Gun!

This easy-to-use insecticide has contact and systemic action that not only knocks out existing pests, but also gives protection for up to three weeks.

In July you may also notice signs of powdery mildew diseases affecting roses and other plants such as hollyhocks, asters and fuchsias, especially if the soil is dry.

For excellent disease control on decorative plants, FungusClear Ultra is one of the best fungicides on the market today because it gets inside the plant to fight existing infections and protects new growth for several weeks.

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If you are unfortunate enough to have both pest and disease infestations on your roses or decorative plants, you can find ready-mixed combinations of insecticide and fungicide that do the two jobs in one spray. Best known is RoseClear Ultra Gun! that is available as a convenient hand sprayer that allows quick and effective treatment of the major rose problems in one ready-mixed spray.

If it becomes necessary to water plants then give newly planted shrubs and perennials priority and see that they get a good drink occasionally rather than little and often. In this way you will encourage deeper roots.

Feeding your shrubs and annual flowers with Miracle-Gro All Purpose Soluble Plant Food regularly will ensure they are well nourished.

Snap off the dead flower heads of rhododendrons and azaleas so that the new shoots that will carry next year's blooms can develop unhindered. To grow strongly they also need feeding with a special plant food.

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Roses on display at at Capel Manor, Enfield, Middlesex

Topical tips

If you are regularly sploshing water around the borders, and as a consequence spot that slugs are causing damage, don't forget to sprinkle some pellets of Slug-Clear Ultra around vulnerable plants after you have watered to ensure nocturnal slugs and snails are controlled

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Without water an unfed lawn will struggle as roots are shallow and will suffer in drought conditions.

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Not only will summer feeding help to give a wonderful, deep-green lushness that is a pleasure to picnic on, but it will also stimulate grass roots to grow longer and deeper on the hunt for deep-down moisture. You can apply some dry granule lawn treatments in the summer, including EverGreen Cut & Feed which doesn't need to be watered in.

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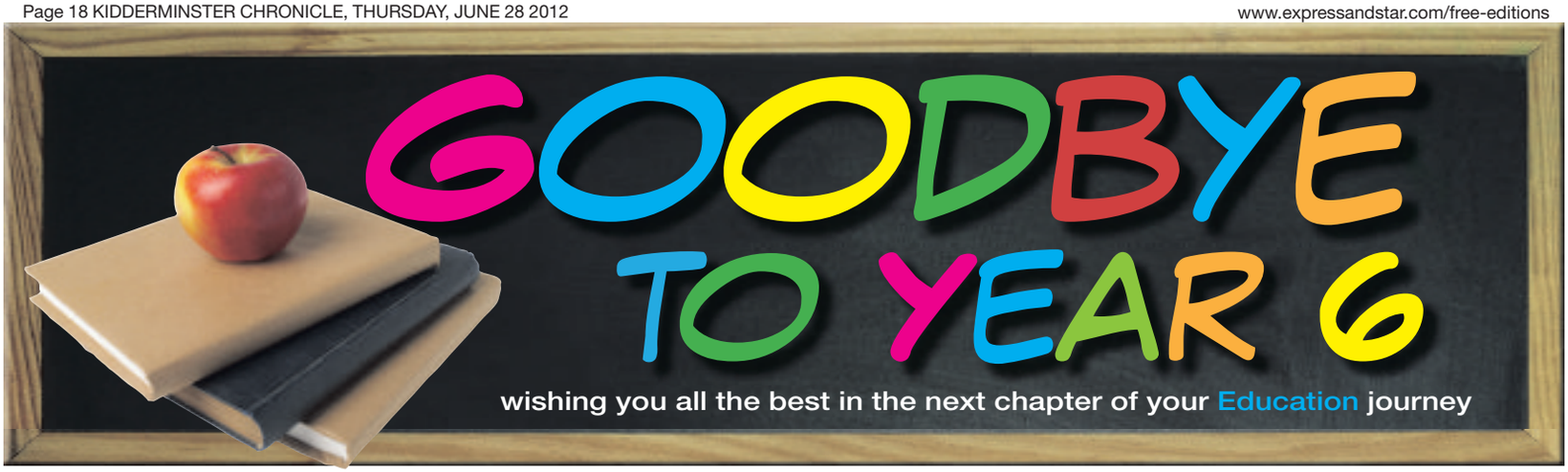

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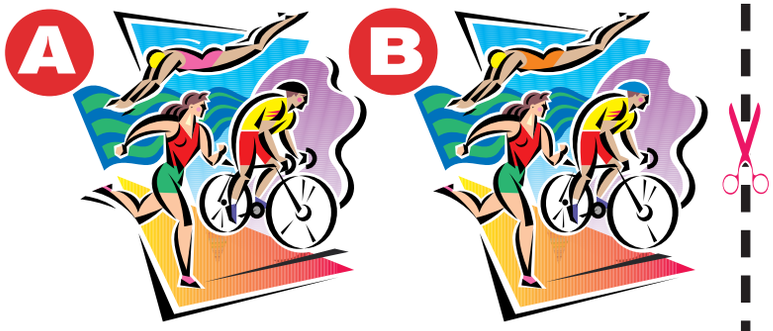

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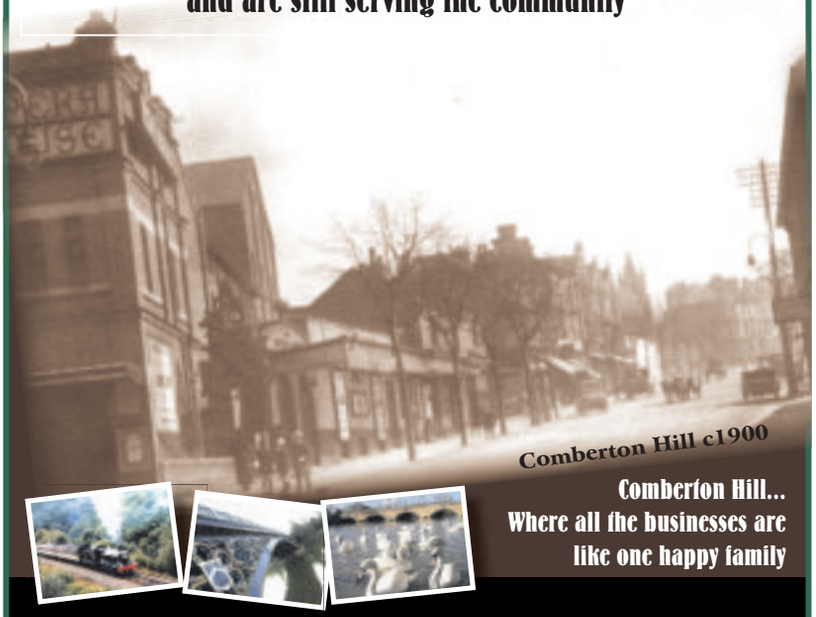

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The Grand previously announced big musicals 42nd Street with Marti Webb (Oct 30-Nov 3) and Grease (Nov 26-Dec 1) with Danny Bayne.

Disco

New highlights include disco musical Daddy Cool (Oct 22-27) with singers Jane McDonald and Sheila Ferguson from the Three Degrees. West End comedy thriller The Ladykillers (Jan 28-Feb 2) is adapted from the Ealing Studios classic by Father Ted writer Graham Linehan. Alan Ayckbourn's chiller Haunting Julia will spook audiences from October 15 to 20.

A streetdance show based on a Hollywood classic, Some Like It Hip Hop, is presented by Zoonation on November 20 and 21. The Russian State Ballet returns with The Nutcracker, Coppelia and Swan Lake (Feb 17-19). Angelina Ballerina The Mousical (Nov 22-24) is for family audiences.

Thriller Dead Ringer with Chris Ellison from The Bill is at the Grand next week.

Going quackers with Orville as stars launch Grand panto

BENIDORM and Loose Women star Sherrie Hewson will team up with family favourite Keith Harris, along with his green-feathered sidekick Orville the Duck, for Wolverhampton's pantomime at the Grand Theatre.

Launching the festive production Jack and the Beanstalk at the city's Novotel, both said they were looking forward to performing at a "proper theatre" in a family show.

For former Coronation Street star Sherrie it will be her sixth panto but the first time she has performed at the Grand. Keith is a veteran of 48 previous pantos and performed his comedy act at the Grand in the 1980s and 90s.

Laugh

He said Orville the Duck was an instant hit with children, even those who had never seen him before, and many mums and dads remembered the character from their childhood TV. They even had a pop hit in 1982 with Orville's Song. Cheeky Cuddles the Monkey may well also be putting in a panto appearance.

Sherrie is relishing her role as a duck-hating "very camp evil" villainess. The panto's executive producer Jonathan Kiley promises "audiences will laugh the whole way through".

More than 14,000 tickets have already been sold for the show that's on from December 8 to January 20.

Sherrie Hewson and Keith Harris with Orville launch the Grand Theatre 2012 pantomime Jack and the Beanstalk

That grrrl is a punk rocker now

Kate Nash, Glee Club, Birmingham

KATE Nash has given her style and her music a radical revamp since she won the Brit award in 2008 with her chart-topping debut album Made of Bricks.

The floral dresses have been replaced by something more Uma Thurman-like and her riot grrrl all-female band rocked up a storm.

Only a few of her old songs got an airing, Kiss That Grrrl done surf style and Foundations given a fast Buzzcocks-like punk-pop treatment.

It proved too much for some fans who have not been keeping up with Nash developments but most enjoyed the noisy new style as the songs have sharp lyrics and strong melodies.

Leon Burakowski

Conley marooned in Brum

COMEDIAN and singer Brian Conley and Lesley Joseph are the stars of this year's big Brum panto, Robinson Crusoe & the Caribbean Pirates, at Birmingham Hippodrome.

The festive spectacular has already taken £1 million in advance ticket sales, theatre bosses have revealed.

Brian will be returning to perform in his sixth pantomime. He broke records when he appeared at the venue in Cinderella last year. Birds of a Feather star Lesley, who starred in Dick Whittington in Birmingham in 1993, will take on the role of The Enchantress of the Ocean in the show from December 15 to January 27.

Outstanding tango dancers let their feet do the talking

Midnight Tango, Wolverhampton Grand

STRICTLY Come Dancing stars, Vincent Simone and Flavia Cacace and their outstanding company of dancers wowed the audience at the Grand Theatre last week in Arlene Phillips and Adam Spiegel's production of Midnight Tango.

Telling a story through dance can be very tricky but for such a talented and creative company as this, it proved no challenge whatsoever, as they are without question some of the best tango dancers in the world.

Atmospheric lighting and period scenery transports you immediately to a seedy bar in Buenos Aries, where couples move in perfect harmony across the dance floor.

Special

There is no doubt about it, Flavia Cacace simply lights up the stage and one of her colleagues described her perfectly when she said "Flavia is very special." Indeed she is. It is easy to see why together with Vincent, they form one of the most formidable partnerships in ballroom dancing.

Their breathtaking choreography was hopefully not wasted on the audience, as it is just about as complex and precise as it gets, leaving you speechless yet elated at the same time. An emotional duet in Act Two had the audience on their feet, as the pair executed unbelievable movements and exceptional technique.

There is endearing comedy from Tricia Deighton as Rosa and Teddy Kempner as Carlos and the superbly talented six piece band perform a selection of the best tango music ever written. An unmissable production, not just for dance fans.

Alison Norton

Sumptuous production

Far From The Madding Crowd Birmingham Hippodrome

IF only choreographer David Bintley had read Thomas Hardy's passionate novel 15 years earlier then his wonderful interpretation for Birmingham Royal Ballet could have helped my mid-70s 'O' level preparations no end.

As it was, I fell in love with the novel – a passion reignited by this sumptuous production. Sublime dancing, evocative music and marvelous costumes conveyed a story of love, deceit, and heartache.

The fight for Bathsheba's love was played against a beautiful pastoral backdrop while a comical contrast to the romance came in the delight that was the travelling circus scene.

The company's Summer Celebration triple bill runs until Saturday at the Hippodrome.

Sarah Cowen

Time of your life at Hippodrome

WEST End hit Dirty Dancing, based on the film, opens at Birmingham Hippodrome on Wednesday, July 4, for an eight week run.

Even more Minaj

THOSE who missed rapper Nikki Minaj at the NIA on Tuesday, or want a second dose, can catch her at the LG Arena on October 27.

SATURDAY'S TV 30.06.12

CHOICE

Ben Wishaw

The Hollow Crown – Richard II
BBC2, 9pm
The BBC continues its Shakespeare season by bringing us four star-studded adaptations of the Bard's best-loved loved history plays, grouped under the title "The Hollow Crown". If you think that title was chosen to make them sound a bit more like Game of Thrones, you could be on to something. But as these new films will show, Shakespeare's plays certainly have enough intrigue and action to compete with the cult US drama. They chart the rise and fall of three kings who helped to shape Britain, beginning with Richard II (Ben Whishaw).

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. **10.00** Saturday Kitchen Live. **11.30** Raymond Blanc's Kitchen Secrets. (R) **12.00** BBC News; Regional News; Weather. **12.15** Bargain Hunt. (R) **1.00** Wimbledon 2012.
6.10 BBC News; Regional News; Weather.
6.30 Film: Raiders of the Lost Ark. (1981) Indiana Jones goes in search of the legendary Ark of the Covenant before the Nazis get their hands on it. Steven Spielberg's action adventure, with Harrison Ford and Karen Allen.
8.20 The National Lottery: Secret Fortune. New series. Nick Knowles returns with the tense quiz show, giving two sisters the opportunity to win £100,000. Jenni Falconer presents the all-important draws.
9.10 Casualty. Sam's return to Afghanistan is jeopardised when an army colleague asks her to lie for him, while new nurse Fletch (Alex Walkinshaw) fails to make a favourable impression on Lloyd.
10.00 BBC News; Weather.
10.20 Mrs Brown's Boys. Dermot announces his choice of best man for the wedding. (R)
10.50 Live at the Apollo. Jack Whitehall hosts the stand-up show. Last in the series; (R) National Lottery Update.
11.35 Film: Red Eye. (2005) A hotelier on a flight to Miami realises a passenger she has befriended is intent on involving her in a political assassination. Thriller, with Rachel McAdams.
12.50 Weatherview. **12.55** BBC News.

BBC2

6.00 CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **11.30** Wimbledon 2012. Sue Barker introduces live coverage of the opening matches on day six at the All England Club, where the third-round singles draws are scheduled to continue. **3.55** Escape to the Country. **4.40** Flog It! (R) **5.40** Dad's Army. (R)
6.10 Wimbledon 2012. Sue Barker introduces further live coverage of day six at the All England Club, where the third-round singles matches are scheduled to conclude. Subsequent programmes subject to change.
8.00 Today at Wimbledon. John Inverdale and guests look back at the key moments from day six at the All England Club, focusing on the scheduled conclusion of the men's and ladies' third-round singles.
9.00 The Hollow Crown: Richard II. New series. King Richard banishes his cousin Henry Bolingbroke from the realm – so his relative vows revenge. First of four Shakespeare adaptations, starring Ben Whishaw.
11.20 Derek Jacobi on Richard II. Derek Jacobi discusses Richard II, including his performance in the title role in 1978, and investigates theories that it may not have been written by Shakespeare after all.
12.20 TOTP2. Radio 2 DJ Mark Radcliffe continues his trawl through the archives, unearthing clips of Mott the Hoople, Terry Wogan, the Spice Girls, Blondie and the Smiths. (R) **1.20 Film:** Nina's Heavenly Delights. (2006) Romantic comedy drama, with Shelley Conn and Laura Fraser. **2.50** Close.

ITV1

6.00 CITV: Mini CITV. **7.25** CITV. **8.25** Saturday Cookbook. **9.25** ITV News. **9.30** The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. **10.25** The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. **11.20** The Real Housewives of New York City. **12.20** ITV News; Weather. **12.30 Film:** Agatha Christie's Murder Is Easy. (1982) **2.20 Film:** On Her Majesty's Secret Service. (1969) **5.00** Regional Programme; Weather.**5.10** ITV News; Weather. **5.30** You've Been Framed! (R)
6.00 Primeval. The team accidentally sends a raptor to Victorian London and Matt tracks it down, only to find Emily trying to do the same thing. Abby hatches a plan to infiltrate Connor's lab.
7.00 You Cannot Be Serious! Alistair McGowan presents a topical entertainment show mixing clips, sketches and impressions based on the week's biggest and most talked-about sporting events.
7.30 Film: Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix. (2007) The wizard unites his fellow pupils into a secret army to battle the resurrected Lord Voldemort. Fantasy adventure sequel, starring Daniel Radcliffe and Gary Oldman.
10.00 ITV News; Weather.
10.20 Mad Mad World. New series. Comedy quiz, hosted by Paddy McGuinness.
11.00 Take Me Out. A stockbroker, a teacher, a company manager and a pest controller try to impress 30 single women, and the previous edition's couples go on their dates. (R)
12.10 The Store; ITV News Headlines. **2.15** In Plain Sight. (R) **3.00** ITV Nightscreen. **5.30** ITV Morning News.

CHANNEL 4

6.00 Channel 4 Presents – Nathan Stephens "Warrior". (R) **6.05** The Hoobs. (R) **6.30** The Hoobs. (R) **6.55** British F3. **7.25** The Grid. **7.50** Channel 4 Presents – Liz Johnson "Night Swimmer". (R) **7.55** The Morning Line. **8.55** T4: 10 Years on the Beach. **9.30** T4: The Amazing Spider-Man: T4 Movie Special. **10.00** T4: Love Shaft. **10.40** T4: Revenge. **11.40** T4: The Big Bang Theory. (R) **12.15** T4: The Big Bang Theory. (R) **12.45** T4: The Simpsons. (R) **1.20** Road to London 2012: That Paralympic Show. **1.55** Channel 4 Racing. **4.05** Channel 4 Presents – Lee Pearson "Lone Rider". (R) **4.10** Deal or No Deal. **5.10** Come Dine with Me. (R) **5.40** Come Dine with Me. (R)
6.10 Come Dine with Me. (R)
6.40 Come Dine with Me. (R)
7.10 Channel 4 News.
7.40 4thought.tv.
7.45 Film: Iron Man. (2008) An arms manufacturer invents a hi-tech suit of armour and uses it in the fight against evil around the world. Superhero adventure, starring Robert Downey Jr and Jeff Bridges..
10.00 The Million Pound Drop Live. Quiz show, presented by Davina McCall.
11.40 Film: Before the Devil Knows You're Dead. (2007) Premiere. Two brothers conspire to rob their parents' jewellery store. Crime thriller, starring Philip Seymour Hoffman.
1.45 How to Cope with Death. (R) **1.50** Stand Up for the Week. (R) **2.35** Comedy Lab: Totally Tom. (R) **3.00** The Million Pound Drop Live. (R) **4.25** Channel 4 Presents – Oscar Pistorius 'One Giant Leap'. (R) **4.30** Deal or No Deal. (R) **5.25** Countdown. (R)

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake! **10.00** Big Body Squad. (R) **11.00** Big Brother: The Eviction. (R) **12.00** Ice Road Truckers: Deadliest Roads. (R) **1.00 Film:** Torpedo Run. (1958) **2.50 Film:** Cave of Outlaws. (1951) **4.25 Film:** Rio Bravo. (1959)
7.15 5 News Weekend.
7.20 NCIS. Gibbs tries to protect one of his dead daughter's friends, who is being stalked by an Iraq war veteran – but DiNozzo fears he is allowing personal feelings to cloud his judgement. (R)
8.10 NCIS. An investigation into the death of a seaman leaves the investigators wondering whether Gibbs is about to leave NCIS again, and Ziva introduces her new boyfriend to her team-mates. (R)
9.00 Big Brother. Marcus Bentley provides his familiar voiceover as the housemates survive another 24 hours in the Big Brother house, including the latest eviction as seen from the point of view of the contestants, and the reactions of the other nominees relieved that it was not them.
10.00 Film: Hostel: Part II. (2007) Three American girls are kidnapped in Slovakia and sold to rich men who indulge in violent fantasies. Horror sequel, with Lauren German.
11.50 Inside Hollywood. Magazine show, with location reports, showbusiness news and views from behind the scenes in Tinseltown.
12.00 SuperCasino. **4.00** Nick's Quest. (R) **4.25** Great Scientists. (R) **4.50** County Secrets. (R) **5.00** Hana's Helpline. (R) **5.10** The Milkshake! Show. (R) **5.35** Thomas & Friends. (R) **5.45** Roary the Racing Car. (R)

DIGITAL

BBC Three
7.00 Doctor Who **7.45** Doctor Who Confidential **8.00** Top Gear **9.00 Film:** Poseidon (2006) **10.30** Live at the Electric **11.00** Family Guy **11.45** American Dad!
BBC Four
7.00 The Blue Planet **8.00** Illuminations: The Private Lives of Medieval Kings **9.00** Spiral 2: Gangs of Paris **10.45** Top of the Pops: 1977 **11.20** Sinatra Sings
ITV2
2.30 America's Got Talent **5.20 Film:** Garfield (2004) **7.00** Britain's Got More Talent: Kids and Pets Unleashed **8.00** Britain's Got More Talent: All Singing All Dancing **9.00 Film:** The Bourne Ultimatum (2007) **11.20** Mark Wright's Hollywood Nights
ITV3
6.00 Agatha Christie's Marple **8.00** Doc Martin **9.00** Lewis **11.05 Film:** Dave (1993)
ITV4
2.00 Live Cycling: Tour de France **5.00** The Professionals **6.00** 20 Goals That Shook the World **7.00** Cycling: Tour de France Highlights **8.00** British Superbike Championship Highlights **9.00** Eurogeddon: Why England Shouldn't Win Euro 2012 **10.00 Film:** Mad Max 2 (1981)
E4
3.00 Desperate Housewives **4.00** Revenge **5.00** How I Met Your Mother **6.00** The Big Bang Theory **7.30** Rules of Engagement **8.30** How I Met Your Mother **9.00 Film:** Joy Ride (2001) **11.00** The Big Bang Theory
Film4
3.20 Carry On Nurse (1959) **5.05** Cheaper By the Dozen 2 (2005) **6.55** Edward Scissorhands (1990) **9.00** Dorian Gray (2009) **11.10** The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo (2009)

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SUNDAY'S TV 1.07.12

CHOICE

Gary Lineker

Match of the Day Live: Euro 2012 Final
BBC1, 7pm
Gary Lineker presents coverage of the final at the Olympic Stadium in Kiev, where the winners of the 14th European Championship will be crowned. After 23 days of competition, consisting of 30 matches, just two teams remain from the 16 that had aspirations of not only competing in the conclusion to the tournament held in Poland and Ukraine, but of triumphing in it. History points to this match being a close encounter, with only one final having been settled by more than a two-goal margin.

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. **9.00** The Andrew Marr Show. **10.00** Sunday Morning Live. **11.00** Country Tracks; (R) Weather for the Week Ahead. **12.00** Sunday Politics. **1.00** Bargain Hunt. (R) **1.45** Homes Under the Hammer. (R) **2.40** Super Smart Animals. (R) **3.40** Who Do You Think You Are? (R) **4.40** Points of View. **4.55** Songs of Praise. **5.30** BBC News; Regional News; Weather.

6.00 Countryfile. The team heads to the Isle of Man, where John Craven rides a vintage motorbike around the TT course and Julia Bradbury tries to catch a glimpse of a basking shark.

7.00 Match of the Day Live: Euro 2012 Final. Gary Lineker presents coverage of the final at the Olympic Stadium in Kiev (Kick-off 7.45pm), where the winners of the 14th European Championship will be crowned. Subsequent programmes subject to change.

10.15 BBC News; Regional News; Weather.

10.40 John Bishop's Britain. The Liverpudlian comic talks about British cuisine, featuring stand-up and sketches. MasterChef's John Torode and Gregg Wallace also share their views. (R)

11.25 Room 101 – Extra Storage. With Nick Hewer, Carol Vorderman and Rhod Gilbert.

12.05 The Sky at Night. **12.45** Weatherview. **12.50** Sign Zone: Indian Ocean with Simon Reeve. (R) **1.50** Holby City. (R) **2.50** The Great British Countryside. (R) **3.50** Great British Railway Journeys Goes to Ireland. (R) **4.20** BBC News.

BBC2

6.00 CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **10.00** Saturday Kitchen Best Bites. **11.30** Escape to the Country. (R) **12.30** MotoGP. **2.00** Live Athletics: European Championships.

6.00 Oceans. The team explores the southern part of the Red Sea, investigating whether the coral there could provide answers to the threats facing other reefs around the world. (R)

7.00 Secrets of Our Living Planet. Chris Packham investigates the ecosystem of North America's temperate forests, examining how it rebuilds itself in spring after harsh winters.

8.00 Film: The Boys Are Back. (2009) Premiere. A widowed sports writer trying to look after his two sons opts for an unusual child-rearing philosophy – say yes to everything. Drama, with Clive Owen and Laura Fraser.

9.40 The Sarah Millican Television Programme. The comedienne hosts TV-based stand-up and chat, starting with wildlife and dating shows, and is joined by naturalist Chris Packham and relationship expert Tracey Cox. (R)

10.10 Mock the Week. With Marcus Brigstocke, Gary Delaney and Zoe Lyons. (R)

10.40 Line of Duty. A detective sergeant working in anti-corruption is assigned to investigate a respected senior officer. Thriller, with Lennie James and Vicky McClure. (R)

11.40 Episodes. Matt upsets his fierce ex-wife. (R)

12.10 Film: For the Moment. (1993) **2.10** BBC News. **4.20** Close.

ITV1

6.00 CITV: Mini CITV. **7.25** CITV. **8.25** Dinner Date. **9.25** House Gift. (R) **10.20** There's No Taste Like Home. (R) **11.20** The Hungry Sailors. (R) **12.15** ITV News; Weather. **12.25** Dickinson's Real Deal. (R) **1.25 Film:** Columbo: Lady in Waiting. (1971) Crime drama, starring Peter Falk and Leslie Nielsen. **3.00** Prince Charles: The Royal Restoration. (R) **4.00** Doc Martin. (R) **5.00** The Chase. (R)

6.00 Regional Programme; Weather.

6.15 ITV News; Weather.

6.30 You've Been Framed! Camcorder calamities, including footage of a bike that doubles as a swing, sibling rivalry and a man taking on a big spider. (R)

7.00 Euro 2012 Final Live. Coverage of the showpiece match at the Olympic Stadium in Kiev (Kick-off 7.45pm), where the two remaining teams compete to become the 14th winners of the European Championship. Subsequent programmes are subject to change.

10.15 ITV News; Weather.

10.30 Film: The Boat That Rocked. (2009) Richard Curtis's comedy, with Bill Nighy and Philip Seymour Hoffman.

12.55 The Store. Home shopping; ITV News Headlines. **3.00** British Superbike Championship Highlights. James Haydon presents action from both races at Knockhill in Fife, where the fifth round of the season was scheduled to take place. Commentary by Jack Burnicle and James Whitham. **3.50** Motorsport UK. Action from Thruxton, Hampshire. **4.40** ITV Nightscreen. Text-based information service. **5.30** ITV Morning News.

CHANNEL 4

6.10 Channel 4 Presents – London Dreaming. (R) **6.15** The Hoobs. (R) **6.35** Ironman 2012. **7.00** Triathlon. **7.55** Channel 4 Presents – Nathan Stephens "Warrior". (R) **8.00** Will & Grace. (R) **8.25** Will & Grace. (R) **8.55** Frasier. (R) **9.25** Frasier. (R) **10.00** Sunday Brunch. **12.30** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **1.00** The Simpsons. (R) **1.30** T4 on the Beach. **5.15** The Simpsons. (R) **5.45** Channel 4 News.

6.15 4thought.tv.

6.20 Film: Bride Wars. (2008) Two lifelong best friends become bitter rivals when their weddings are scheduled to take place on the same day and at the same venue. Comedy, with Kate Hudson.

8.00 Come Dine with Me. Former Miss Rugby Jade Hollis, film and TV extra Susan Gillis, recruitment boss Lee Bunting and academic Alan James compete for the £1,000 prize in Warwickshire.

9.00 Film: The Ugly Truth. (2009) Premiere. A single TV producer is appalled when a chauvinistic presenter is hired for her morning news show. However, she is forced to seek his help when she meets the man of her dreams, and begins testing his theories on what men find attractive. Romantic comedy, starring Gerard Butler and Katherine Heigl.

10.50 Film: Lucky Number Slevin. (2006) Crime thriller, starring Josh Hartnett.

1.00 Camelot. (R) **1.50** Channel 4 Presents – London Dreaming. (R) **1.55** Hollyoaks. (R) **4.00** Channel 4 Presents – Lee Pearson 'Lone Rider'. (R) **4.05** Deal or No Deal. (R) **5.00** Countdown. (R) **5.45** Glamour Puds. (R)

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake!: Peppa Pig. **6.05** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **6.15** Fifi and the Flowertots. (R) **6.25** City of Friends. (R) **6.40** Harry and His Bucket Full of Dinosaurs. (R) **6.50** Castle Farm. (R) **6.55** Abby's Flying Fairy School. **7.05** Roobarb and Custard Too. (R) **7.15** Bananas in Pyjamas. (R) **7.25** Family! (R) **7.35** Noddy in Toyland. (R) **7.50** Bert and Ernie's Great Adventures. (R) **7.55** Little Princess. (R) **8.10** Fifi and the Flowertots. (R) **8.20** The Adventures of Bottle Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky. (R) **8.30** Angelina Ballerina. (R) **8.45** Rupert Bear. (R) **8.55** Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom. (R) **9.10** The Mr Men Show. (R) **9.20** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **9.35** Funky Town. (R) **9.45** Jelly Jamm. (R) **10.00** Inside Hollywood. (R) **10.05** Meerkat Manor. (R) **10.35** The Restaurant Inspector. **11.35** Big Brother. (R) **12.35** Police Interceptors. (R) **1.35 Film:** Wimbledon. (2004) **3.20 Film:** Stuart Little 2. (2002) **4.50 Film:** What a Girl Wants. (2003)

6.55 5 News Weekend.

7.00 Cricket on 5. England v Australia. Mark Nicholas presents highlights of the second one-dayer in the five-match series, as the teams faced each other at the Oval for the first time since 2010.

8.00 Once Upon a Time. The origin of the eight dwarves is revealed.

9.00 Big Brother. Daily round-up of highlights.

10.00 Film: 3:10 to Yuma. (2007) Western remake, starring Russell Crowe.

12.20 True Grit: The True Story. (R) **1.20** SuperCasino. **4.00** Sons of Anarchy. **4.50** County Secrets. (R) **5.00** Hana's Helpline. (R) **5.10** The Milkshake! Show. (R) **5.35** Thomas & Friends. (R) **5.45** Roary the Racing Car. (R)

DIGITAL

BBC Three
7.00 World's Craziest Fools **7.30 Film:** The Proposal (2009) **9.15** Live at the Apollo **10.00** Family Guy **10.45** American Dad! **11.30** Snog, Marry, Avoid?

BBC Four
7.00 Timeshift: Between the Lines – Railways in Fiction and Film **8.00** African Railway **9.00** India's Hospital Train – Lifeline Express **10.00** Madness on Wheels: Rallying's Craziest Years **11.00** Great Lives – Victor Spinetti **11.30** Behind the Scenes at the Museum

ITV2
3.40 Film: Garfield: A Tale of Two Kitties (2006) **5.15** The Nation's Favourite Abba Song **6.50 Film:** Mamma Mia! (2008) **9.00** Benidorm **10.00** Mark Wright's Hollywood Nights **11.00 Film:** You, Me and Dupree (2006)

ITV3
3.35 Inspector Morse **5.50** Lewis **10.00** Wire in the Blood

ITV4
2.00 Live Cycling: Tour de France. Stage one from Liege to Seraing. **4.30** Police, Camera, Action! **4.55** The Professionals **5.55** Tommy Cooper **7.00** Cycling: Tour de France Highlights **8.00** Minder **9.00** River Monsters **10.00 Film:** Driven to Kill (2009)

E4
3.20 Glee **4.15** Rules of Engagement **5.10** The Big Bang Theory **6.05** Revenge **7.00 Film:** Nacho Libre (2006) **9.00** The Big Bang Theory **9.55** 50 Greatest Wedding Shockers

Film4
2.55 The Ladykillers (1955) **4.50** One Fine Day (1996) **7.00** Clueless (1995) **8.50** The Amazing Spider-Man Interview Special **9.00** Mr & Mrs Smith (2005) **11.20** AVP: Alien vs Predator (2004)

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BBC1 **6.00** Breakfast. **9.15** Crimewatch Roadshow. **10.00** Homes Under the Hammer; (R) BBC News; Weather. **11.00** Real Rescues. **11.45** Doorstep Crime 999; BBC News; Weather. **12.15** Bargain Hunt. (R) **1.00** BBC News; Weather. **1.30** Regional News; Weather. **1.45** Wimbledon 2012. Live coverage of the fourth-round singles matches. **6.00** BBC News; Weather. **6.30** Regional News Programmes; Weather. **7.00** The One Show. **7.30** Food Factory; BBC News; Regional News. **8.00** EastEnders. **8.30** Call Centres Undercover: Panorama. **9.00** Blackout. **10.00** BBC News. **10.25** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** A Question of Sport. **11.05** Would I Lie to You? The Unseen Bits. (R) **11.35** The Graham Norton Show. (R) **12.20** Weatherview. **12.25** Sign Zone: Antiques Uncovered. (R) **1.25** The Little Paris Kitchen: Cooking with Rachel Khoo. (R) **1.5** Fake Britain. (R) **2.40** Great British Railway Journeys Goes to Ireland. (R) **3.10** Crime and Punishment. (R) **3.55** Great British Menu. (R) **4.25** BBC News.

BBC2 **6.00** CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **8.30** CBeebies. **11.00** Daily Politics. **11.30** Wimbledon 2012. Live coverage of the men's and women's singles fourth round. **3.25** CBBC. **5.50** Wimbledon 2012. Further live coverage from the All England Club. **8.00** Today at Wimbledon. **9.00** 7/7: One Day in London. **10.30** Newsnight; Weather. **11.20** Secrets of Our Living Planet. (R) **12.20** BBC News. **3.15** The Super League Show. **4.00** BBC Learning Zone.

ITV1 **6.00** Daybreak. **8.30** Lorraine. **9.25** The Jeremy Kyle Show. **10.30** This Morning. **12.30** Loose Women. **1.30** ITV News; Weather. **1.55** Regional News; Weather. **2.00** May the Best House Win. **3.00** Dickinson's Real Deal. **3.59** Regional Weather. **4.00** A Touch of Frost. (R) **5.00** Tipping Point. **6.00** Regional News; Weather. **6.30** ITV News; Weather. **7.00** Emmerdale. **7.30** Coronation Street. **8.00** Countrywise. **8.30** Coronation Street. **9.00** The Real Chariots of Fire. **10.00** ITV News at Ten; Weather. **10.30** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** The Greatest Footie Ads Ever. (R) **11.35** In Plain Sight. (R) **12.30** Jackpot247; ITV News Headlines. **3.05** The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R) **3.50** ITV Nightscreen. **4.30** The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R) **5.30** ITV Morning News.

Channel 4 **6.05** Sali Mali. (R) **6.10** Channel 4 Presents – Oscar Pistorius "One Giant Leap". (R) **6.15** The Hoobs. (R) **6.40** The Hoobs. (R) **7.05** Freshly Squeezed. **7.30** According to Jim. (R) **7.55** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.30** Frasier. (R) **9.00** Undercover Boss Canada. **10.00** Four Rooms. (R) **11.00** You Deserve This House. **12.00** Channel 4 News Midday Summary. **12.05** Jamie's 30 Minute Meals. (R) **12.35** Channel 4 Presents – London Dreaming. (R) **12.40** River Cottage Bites. (R) **12.55** Film: The Password Is Courage. (1962) **3.10** Countdown. **4.00** Deal or No Deal. **5.00** Four in a Bed. **5.30** Come Dine with Me. **6.00** The Simpsons. (R) **6.30** Hollyoaks. **7.00** Channel 4 News. **7.55** Channel 4 Presents: London 2012 – Hannah Cockroft Part III. **8.00** Cashing in on the Games: Channel 4 Dispatches. **8.30** Jamie's Summer Food Rave Up. **9.00** Undercover Boss. **10.00** Daredevils: Life on the Edge. **11.05** Random Acts. (R) **11.10** Coming Up. **11.40** 4thought.tv. **11.45** The Shooting Gallery: Adrenaline Rush. **12.50** The Good Wife. **1.35** The Big C. **2.00** Film: Wicker Park. (2004) Mystery, starring Josh Hartnett. **4.00** St Elsewhere. (R) **4.45** Deal or No Deal. (R) **5.40** Glamour Puds. (R)

Channel 5 **6.00** Milkshake! **9.15** The Wright Stuff. **11.10** Extreme Fishing with Robson Green. (R) **12.10** 5 News Lunchtime. **12.15** Big Brother. (R) **1.15** Home and Away. **1.45** Neighbours. **2.15** The Mentalist. (R) **3.15** Film: NYC: Tornado Terror. (2008) Disaster thriller, starring Nicole de Boer. **5.00** 5 News at 5. **5.30** Neighbours. (R) **6.00** Home and Away. (R) **6.30** 5 News at 6.30. **7.00** Emergency Bikers; (R) 5 News Update. **8.00** Police Interceptors; 5 News at 9. **9.00** Big Brother. **10.00** The Walking Dead. **11.00** Big Brother's Bit on the Side. **12.00** The Baby with a New Face: Extraordinary People. (R) **1.00** SuperCasino. **4.00** Great Artists. (R) **4.25** Wildlife SOS. (R) **5.10** House Doctor. (R)

Tuesday

BBC1 **6.00** Breakfast. **9.15** Crimewatch Roadshow. **10.00** Homes Under the Hammer; (R) BBC News; Weather. **11.00** Real Rescues. **11.45** Doorstep Crime 999; BBC News; Weather. **12.15** Bargain Hunt. (R) **1.00** BBC News; Weather. **1.30** Regional News; Weather. **1.45** Wimbledon 2012. The women's singles quarter-finals. **6.00** BBC News; Weather. **6.30** Regional News Programmes; Weather. **7.00** The One Show. **7.30** EastEnders; BBC News; Regional News. **8.00** Holby City. **9.00** Turn Back Time – The Family. **10.00** BBC News. **10.25** Regional News; Weather.; National Lottery Update. **10.35** Imagine. **12.05** Film: Infamous. (2006) Biographical drama, starring Toby Jones. **2.05** Weatherview. **2.10** Sign Zone: The Fish Market: Inside Billingsgate. (R) **3.10** A Picture of London. (R) **4.10** Great British Menu. (R) **4.40** BBC News.

BBC2 **6.00** CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **8.30** CBeebies. **11.00** Hampton Court Palace Flower Show 2012. **11.30** Daily Politics. **12.00** Wimbledon 2012. Live coverage of the women's singles quarter-finals. **3.25** CBBC. **5.50** Wimbledon 2012. Live coverage of the eighth day's play. **8.00** Today at Wimbledon. **9.00** Line of Duty. **10.00** QI. (R) **10.30** Newsnight; Weather. **11.20** The Secret History of Our Streets. (R) **12.20** BBC News. **4.00** BBC Learning Zone.

ITV1 **6.00** Daybreak. **8.30** Lorraine. **9.25** The Jeremy Kyle Show. **10.30** This Morning. **12.30** Loose Women. **1.30** ITV News; Weather. **1.55** Regional News; Weather. **2.00** May the Best House Win. **3.00** Dickinson's Real Deal. **3.59** Regional Weather. **4.00** A Touch of Frost. (R) **5.00** Tipping Point. **6.00** Regional News; Weather. **6.30** ITV News; Weather. **7.00** Emmerdale. **8.00** Love Your Garden. A large family in the Brecon Beacons receives a garden makeover. **9.00** Bomber Command. John Sergeant pays tribute to the aircrews of RAF Bomber Command. **10.00** ITV News at Ten; Weather. **10.30** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** Film: Passenger 57. (1992) Action thriller, with Wesley Snipes. **12.15** Jackpot247; ITV News Headlines. **2.45** Loose Women. (R) **3.35** ITV Nightscreen. **5.30** ITV Morning News.

Channel 4 **6.10** Sali Mali. (R) **6.15** The Hoobs. (R) **6.40** The Hoobs. (R) **7.05** Freshly Squeezed. **7.35** According to Jim. (R) **8.00** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.30** Frasier. (R) **9.00** Undercover Boss Canada. **10.00** Four Rooms. (R) **11.00** You Deserve This House. **12.00** Channel 4 News Midday Summary. **12.05** Jamie's 30 Minute Meals. (R) **12.35** River Cottage Bites. (R) **12.55** Film: Scaramouche. (1952) An 18th-century Frenchman hones his fencing skills to avenge a friend who was killed by a villainous nobleman. Swashbuckling adventure, starring Stewart Granger and Mel Ferrer. **3.10** Countdown. **4.00** Deal or No Deal. **5.00** Four in a Bed. **5.30** Come Dine with Me. **6.00** The Simpsons. (R) **6.30** Hollyoaks. **7.00** Channel 4 News. **7.55** Channel 4 Presents: London 2012 – Will Bayley Part III. **8.00** Embarrassing Bodies: Live from the Clinic. **9.00** Gordon Behind Bars. **10.00** Six Million Dollar Conman: True Stories. **11.40** Random Acts. **11.45** 8 Out of 10 Cats: Best Bits. (R) **12.30** 4thought.tv. **12.35** Steve Coogan: The Man Who Thinks He's It. (R) **1.35** Triathlon. (R) **2.30** KOTV Boxing Weekly. **2.55** America's Cup Uncovered. **3.20** FIVB Beach Volleyball. **4.15** The Grid. (R) **4.40** British F3. (R) **5.10** FIM Superbike World Championship 2012. **5.35** Ironman 2012. (R)

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Wednesday

BBC1 **6.00** Breakfast. **9.15** Crimewatch Roadshow. **10.00** Homes Under the Hammer; (R) BBC News; Weather. **11.00** Real Rescues. **11.45** Doorstep Crime 999; BBC News; Weather. **12.15** Bargain Hunt. (R) **1.00** BBC News; Weather. **1.30** Regional News; Weather. **1.45** Wimbledon 2012. The men's singles quarter-finals. **6.00** BBC News; Weather. **6.30** Regional News Programmes; Weather. **7.00** The One Show. **7.30** DIY SOS: The Big Build; (R) BBC News; Regional News. **8.30** EastEnders. **9.00** When I Get Older. **10.00** BBC News. **10.25** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** The National Lottery Wednesday Night Draws. **10.45** Have I Got Old News for You. **11.15** Film: In the Electric Mist. (2009) Premiere. Mystery, starring Tommy Lee Jones; National Lottery Update. **1.05** Weatherview. **1.10** Sign Zone: Brick by Brick: Rebuilding Our Past. (R) **2.10** Arts Troubleshooter. (R) **3.10** Fake Britain. (R) **3.55** Great British Menu. (R) **4.25** BBC News.

BBC2 **6.00** CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **8.30** CBeebies. **11.30** Daily Politics. **12.55** Wimbledon 2012. The men's singles quarter-finals. **3.25** CBBC. **5.50** Wimbledon 2012. Further live coverage of the men's singles quarter-finals. **8.00** Today at Wimbledon. **9.00** The Secret History of Our Streets. **10.00** The Culture Show. **10.30** Newsnight; Weather. **11.20** 7/7: One Day in London. (R) **12.50** BBC News. **4.00** BBC Learning Zone.

ITV1 **6.00** Daybreak. **8.30** Lorraine. **9.25** The Jeremy Kyle Show. **10.30** This Morning. **12.30** Loose Women. **1.30** ITV News; Weather. **1.55** Regional News; Weather. **2.00** May the Best House Win. **3.00** Dickinson's Real Deal. **3.59** Regional Weather. **4.00** A Touch of Frost. (R) **5.00** Tipping Point. **6.00** Regional News; Weather. **6.30** ITV News; Weather. **7.00** Emmerdale. **7.30** Coronation Street. **8.00** Midsomer Murders. (R) **10.00** ITV News at Ten; Weather. **10.30** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** Film: Magnum Force. (1973) Action thriller sequel, starring Clint Eastwood. **12.45** Jackpot247; ITV News Headlines. **3.00** Film: Tango & Cash. (1989) Action adventure, with Sylvester Stallone and Kurt Russell. **4.40** ITV Nightscreen. **5.30** ITV Morning News.

Channel 4 **6.00** The Treacle People. (R) **6.10** Sali Mali. (R) **6.15** The Hoobs. (R) **6.40** The Hoobs. (R) **7.05** Freshly Squeezed. **7.35** According to Jim. (R) **8.00** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.30** Frasier. (R) **9.00** Undercover Boss Canada. **10.00** Four Rooms. (R) **11.00** You Deserve This House. **12.00** Channel 4 News Midday Summary. **12.05** Jamie's 30 Minute Meals. (R) **12.35** Channel 4 Presents: London 2012 – Will Bayley Part III. (R) **12.40** How to Cook Like Heston. (R) **1.10** Film: The Thirty-Nine Steps. (1978) Thriller, starring Robert Powell. **3.10** Countdown. **4.00** Deal or No Deal. **5.00** Four in a Bed. **5.30** Come Dine with Me. **6.00** The Simpsons. (R) **6.30** Hollyoaks. **7.00** Channel 4 News. **7.55** Channel 4 Presents: London 2012 – David Smith Part III. **8.00** River Cottage: Three Go Mad. **9.00** 24 Hours in A&E. **10.00** A Short History of Everything Else. **10.30** The Killing. **11.30** Random Acts. **11.35** 2 Broke Girls. **12.00** 4thought.tv. **12.05** Music on 4: Spotlight: Ones to Watch. (R) **12.20** Music on 4: Gignics. **12.35** Music on 4: Lovebox Festival 2012. **1.00** Music on 4: 4Play: Luke Bingham. **1.10** Music on 4: Mercury Prize Sessions. (R) **1.25** Film: Teenage Paparazzo. (2010) Documentary about a 14-year-old photographer. **3.00** Southland. **3.45** St Elsewhere. (R) **4.30** Deal or No Deal. (R) **5.25** Countdown. (R)

Channel 5 **6.00** Milkshake! **9.15** The Wright Stuff. **11.10** Extreme Fishing with Robson Green. (R) **12.10** 5 News Lunchtime. **12.15** Big Brother. (R) **1.15** Home and Away. **1.45** Neighbours. **2.15** The Mentalist. (R) **3.10** La Femme Musketeer. (R) **5.00** 5 News at 5. **5.30** Neighbours. (R) **6.00** Home and Away. (R) **6.30** 5 News at 6.30. **7.00** Police Interceptors; (R) 5 News Update. **8.00** World's Craziest Police Pursuits 2. The concluding part of the special on unusual police chases; 5 News at 9. **9.00** NCIS. A Navy lieutenant is found dead at the Pentagon. **10.00** Big Brother. **11.00** Big Brother's Bit on the Side. **12.00** Cricket on 5. **1.05** SuperCasino.

Thursday

BBC1 **6.00** Breakfast. **9.15** Crimewatch Roadshow. **10.00** Homes Under the Hammer; (R) BBC News; Weather. **11.00** Real Rescues. **11.45** Doorstep Crime 999; BBC News; Weather. **12.15** Bargain Hunt. (R) **1.00** BBC News; Weather. **1.30** Regional News; Weather. **1.45** Wimbledon 2012. The women's singles semi-finals. **6.00** BBC News; Weather. **6.30** Regional News Programmes; Weather. **7.00** The One Show. **7.30** EastEnders; BBC News; Regional News. **8.00** Traffic Cops. **9.00** When I Get Older. **10.00** BBC News. **10.25** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** Question Time. **11.35** This Week. **12.20** Holiday Weatherview. **12.25** Sign Zone: Call Centres Undercover: Panorama. (R) **12.55** Countryfile. (R) **1.55** Antiques Roadshow. (R) **2.55** Crime and Punishment. (R) **3.40** Great British Menu. (R) **4.40** BBC News.

BBC2 **6.00** CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **8.30** CBeebies. **11.30** Daily Politics. **12.00** Animal Park. (R) **12.30** Wimbledon 2012. The women's singles semi-finals. **3.25** CBBC. **5.50** Wimbledon 2012. Further live coverage from the All England Club. **8.00** Today at Wimbledon. **9.00** Hampton Court Palace Flower Show 2012. **10.00** Mock the Week. **10.30** Newsnight; Weather. **11.20** London: A Tale of Two Cities with Dan Cruickshank. (R) **12.20** The Culture Show. (R) **12.50** BBC News. **4.00** BBC Learning Zone.

ITV1 **6.00** Daybreak. **8.30** Lorraine. **9.25** The Jeremy Kyle Show. **10.30** This Morning. **12.30** Loose Women. **1.30** ITV News; Weather. **1.55** Regional News; Weather. **2.00** May the Best House Win. **3.00** Dickinson's Real Deal. **3.59** Regional Weather. **4.00** A Touch of Frost. (R) **5.00** Tipping Point. **6.00** Regional News; Weather. **6.30** ITV News; Weather. **7.00** Emmerdale. **7.30** Who Wants to Live Forever?: Tonight. **8.00** Emmerdale. **8.30** Coronation Street. **9.00** Let's Get Gold. **10.00** ITV News at Ten; Weather. **10.30** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** Bomber Command. (R) **11.35** Caroline Quentin: A Passage Through India. (R) **12.30** Jackpot247; ITV News Headlines. **2.30** Who Wants to Live Forever?: Tonight. (R) **2.55** ITV Nightscreen. **4.30** The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R) **5.30** ITV Morning News.

Channel 4 **6.10** Sali Mali. (R) **6.15** The Hoobs. (R) **6.40** The Hoobs. (R) **7.05** Freshly Squeezed. **7.30** According to Jim. (R) **8.00** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.30** Frasier. (R) **9.00** Undercover Boss Canada. **10.00** Four Rooms. (R) **11.00** You Deserve This House. **12.00** Channel 4 News Midday Summary. **12.05** Jamie's 30 Minute Meals. (R) **12.35** River Cottage Bites. (R) **12.45** Film: North to Alaska. (1960) A prospector learns his friend's fiancee has married someone else, so he goes in search of a replacement spouse for him. Comedy Western, starring John Wayne and Stewart Granger. **3.10** Countdown. **4.00** Deal or No Deal. **5.00** Four in a Bed. **5.30** Come Dine with Me. **6.00** The Simpsons. (R) **6.30** Hollyoaks. **7.00** Channel 4 News. **7.55** Channel 4 Presents – London 2012: Jody Cundy Part III. **8.00** Country House Rescue. Simon Davis visits Great Fulford in Devon. **9.00** Michael Johnson: Survival of the Fastest. The link between the slave trade and success on the athletics field. **10.00** 24 Hours in A&E. (R) **11.05** Gordon Behind Bars. (R) **12.10** Random Acts. **12.15** 4thought.tv. **12.20** Undercover Boss. (R) **1.15** Our Man in the Costas. (R) **2.10** Cashing in on the Games: Channel 4 Dispatches. (R) **2.40** Time Team. (R) **3.35** Ancient Egyptians. (R) **4.30** Deal or No Deal. (R) **5.25** Countdown. (R)

Channel 5 **6.00** Milkshake! **9.15** The Wright Stuff. **11.10** Extreme Fishing with Robson Green. (R) **12.10** 5 News Lunchtime. **12.15** Big Brother. (R) **1.15** Home and Away. **1.45** Neighbours. **2.15** The Mentalist. (R) **3.15** La Femme Musketeer. (R) **5.00** 5 News at 5. **5.30** Neighbours. (R) **6.00** Home and Away. (R) **6.30** 5 News at 6.30. **7.00** World's Toughest Prison; (R) 5 News Update. **8.00** Marco Pierre White's Kitchen Wars; 5 News at 9. **9.00** The Hotel Inspector. New series. Alex Polizzi visits a struggling naturist spa in Birmingham. **10.00** Big Brother. **11.00** Big Brother's Bit on the Side. Fans' thoughts on the latest developments. **12.00** SuperCasino. **4.00** Great Artists. (R) **4.25** Wildlife SOS. (R) **5.10** House Doctor. (R)

Friday

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BBC2 **6.00** CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **8.30** CBeebies. **11.30** Daily Politics. **12.00** Animal Park. (R) **12.30** Wimbledon 2012. The men's singles semi-finals. **3.25** CBBC. **5.50** Wimbledon 2012. The men's singles semi-finals. **8.00** Today at Wimbledon. **9.00** Hampton Court Palace Flower Show 2012. **10.00** Episodes. **10.30** Newsnight. **11.00** The Review Show. **11.45** Weather. **11.50** Film: My Summer of Love. (2004) Drama, starring Natalie Press and Emily Blunt. **1.15** Taken. (R) **2.40** BBC News. **4.30** Close.

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Channel 5 **6.00** Milkshake! **9.15** The Wright Stuff. **11.10** Extreme Fishing with Robson Green. (R) **12.10** 5 News Lunchtime. **12.15** Big Brother. (R) **1.15** Home and Away. **1.45** Neighbours. **2.15** NCIS. (R) **3.15** Film: Survival on the Mountain. (1997) A couple trekking in the Himalayas battle for survival when a freak blizzard sets off a series of avalanches. Fact-based adventure, starring Markie Post and Dennis Boutsikaris. **5.00** 5 News at 5. **5.30** Neighbours. (R) **6.00** Home and Away. (R) **6.30** 5 News at 6.30. **7.00** World's Craziest Police Pursuits 2; (R) 5 News Update. **8.00** Ice Road Truckers: Deadliest Roads; 5 News at 9. **9.00** Big Brother: Live Eviction. Brian Dowling reveals which of the nominees has proved least popular with the voting public. Plus, the latest action from the house. **10.00** The Bachelor. **11.00** Big Brother's Bit on the Side. **12.00** SuperCasino. **4.00** Motorsport Mundial. **4.25** Wildlife SOS. (R) **5.10** House Doctor. (R)

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Extras such as a sat nav can help the resale value

ADDING optional extras can affect a car's resale value more than many Brits may think, with some options even paying for themselves when you come to sell your motor, car valuation say experts at Glass.co.uk

Glass's also warns that some extras may add no value at all and in some cases, especially 'DIY' extras such as self-fitted stereos, can reduce a car's value.

The sat-nav has become the stalwart extra on many new cars, especially luxury models, and is something many Brits just can't live without.

According to Glass's, this makes a sat-nav a smart investment when you buy a new car and in many cases will pay for itself when the car is sold.

For example, installing a sat-nav entertainment system onto a new Audi Q3 might set you back £500. But if you sell your car two years later it will be worth £500 more than one without the sat-nav, meaning you've enjoyed a great extra at no additional cost.

The smart buys don't stop there. Bluetooth systems which allow drivers to connect devices such as mobile phones to their car wirelessly also see very high demand among buyers and will usually retain 50 per cent of their value over three years – so essentially a good extra to have.

But there is some pimping your pocket could do without. Added extras such as 21-inch wheels and rear entertainment systems on the Audi A8 will set you back £3,500 and £3,800 respectively and offer little to no resale upside.

In both cases you'll lose much of this investment when it comes to selling.

Additionally, safety systems such as brake and lane assist can surprisingly add no additional value to a car when motorists come to sell it.

Richard Crosthwaite, Glass's prestige car editor, comments: "It is so easy to get carried away, ticking the extras boxes when buying a car, but you really need to do some research.

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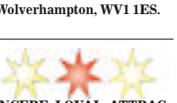

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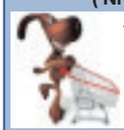

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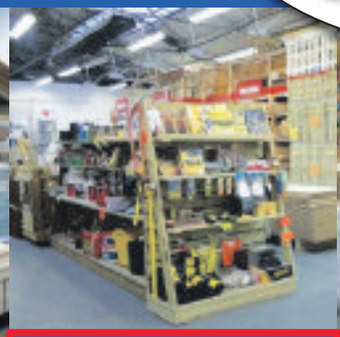

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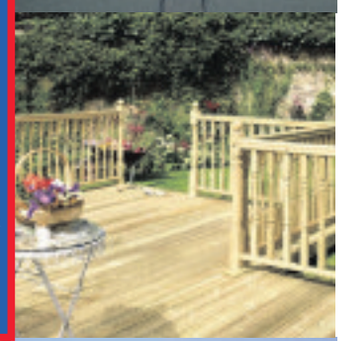

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Neal takes lead again in Touring car title bid

RACE ACE Matt Neal has seized the lead in the British Touring Car championship.

The Worcestershire man was one of three drivers who each took a victory at north Yorkshire's Croft circuit.

Team-mate Gordon Shedden and Jason Plato also took the podium's top spot, but it's Neal who goes into the summer break leading by a single point.

Neal put his Honda Yuasa Racing Team Civic on pole for race one, dropped to third at the start but fought back to win ahead of eBay Motors BMW driver Robert Collard and Shedden and take over at the top of the points table.

Shedden responded with victory in the second race to reclaim the championship lead. Neal took the runners-up spot to complete a one-two for Honda.

Plato, who missed the first race because of mechanical problems, won race three from Tom Onslow-Cole's eBay Motors BMW and Andrew Jordan's Pirtek Racing Honda Civic were second and third.

Fourth place for Neal was enough to move him back ahead. He said: "I'm very pleased, but all it does is give me the bragging rights for the next seven weeks."

Harriers are standing by hurt Sharpe

KIDDERMINSTER Harriers will allow injury victim Tom Sharpe to continue his rehabilitation despite his out-of-contract status.

Sharpe will not be offered fresh terms until he has proved he is fit to play again after a cruciate ligament injury in his right knee.

The 23-year-old was hurt playing for Harriers in a league game at Stockport and management feel they owe him "a duty of care."

Physio Gavin Crowe said: "Hopefully, that will earn him a deal when he's fit, whether that be at Kidderminster or somewhere else.

"We have got a duty of care to look after players and the gaffer agrees with that."

Meanwhile, Harriers will allow under-16s to go free to their home pre-season friendlies against Wolves and Walsall, on 27 July and 31 July respectively.

Nathan Gallacher (blue belt) attacks

Deserved bronze on comeback

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SAMURAI Judo Club returned with four medals from the Kent International Open – and saw four of their players finish just one win short of a medal.

Leah Grosvenor was first up for the Samurai at the Crystal Palace National Sports Centre in London and announced her intentions straight away with a spectacular maximum-point throw just seven seconds into her first contest.

She made her way to the quarter-finals and was soon a high score up. Unfortunately she tried the same throw again and this time over-balanced backwards and was countered for maximum points.

This ended her chances of reaching the final and left Grosvenor needing to win three contests to take the bronze, but she did this in style, winning all three by maximum points with ease.

Becky Hobby, who like Grosvenor had moved up a weight category on the day, added a second bronze in the juniors. In the higher grades section, Nathan Gallacher began with two good wins to book a place in the semi-final before losing to a very good player. He was then unlucky to lose again in the fight for bronze.

Darcie Hancocks had taken age group gold at the London International Open, but here was up against much older girls and was eventually eliminated by a Dutch player.

Charlotte Read was also against much older girls, though she was unlucky to come up against both the eventual gold and silver medalists. She finished fifth.

Bryony Griffiths finished fifth for the second consecutive year. It was the same story for Frankie Marston, who was short of training after focusing on exams. She lost out on the bronze.

On Sunday Samurai had two entries in the youth and senior event. Laura Dangerfield looks a useful prospect and reached the final of the senior under 78 kilos category before advancing too quickly and being caught by a good leg sweep which meant she had to settle for silver.

Annabel Webb, in the senior ladies open category, was making something of a comeback and deserved her bronze medal.

Crushing end to a good run of form

Worcester (24pts) 190-9, Stourport (4pts) 100. Worcester won by 90 runs

STOURPORT seconds' recent good form came crashing to an end as they were humbled by Worcester.

Gavin Bryan's excellent 17-over spell brought him impressive figures of 4-36 but could not prevent Worcester posting 190-9.

In reply opener Michael Pratt carried his bat for an unbeaten 46 but could not prevent wickets tumbling at the other end as Stourport were bowled out in the 35th over for 100.

Oldswinford (24pts) 187-8, Stourport (4pts) 171. Oldswinford won by 16 runs

Stourport thirds relinquished their lead at the top of Worcestershire County League Division Seven in a tight finish.

Josh Tristram's 3-42 was the pick for Stourport as they limited Oldswinford to 187-8 from 45 overs.

Skipper Allan Moss made 74 in reply.

Stourport (12pts) 148, Bredon (3pts) 134-9. Draw

Stourport fourths took a winning draw as 50 from Dave Cook and 31 from Gareth Burns helped them to a competitive 148.

The final pair held out despite four wickets each for Richard Foley and Ethan Lockwood.

Alison sets sail in the hope of medal glory

SAILOR Alison Young finds it hard to grasp just how far she has come from her days learning to sail on Trimpley reservoir.

She was just nine when dad Keith dragged her and sister Kathryn to the water, near Kidderminster, for his birthday. Sixteen years later she is on the brink of an Olympic debut in her Laser Radial boat this summer.

Sailor Alison Young is heading to the Olympics. Nick Mashiter reports

Young is softly spoken, almost a little unsure with how to handle the extra attention after securing her London 2012 place.

It is to be expected after her rise from Trimpley Sailing Club to the biggest sporting event on the planet.

Graduating with a first class civil engineering degree from Southampton University in 2008, Young went from development squad to fourth in the world and, now, London 2012.

But she freely admits there was a time where her Olympic dream seemed almost unreachable.

"When I went to uni I knew it was what I wanted to do, but it was quite hard to get the concept of the Games and what it actually is," said the former Bewdley High School pupil.

"It just seems so far away when you're at university and you don't really understand what's required to get there.

"You have to build up slowly from the development squad, understand the system and then what it takes to get there.

"You see all the guys in the gym who have got their medals and just what they have to do and realise it's your reference point.

"You learn from what they do, the work they do in the gym and the hours on the water."

Led by triple gold medallist Ben Ainslie, the sailing team are expected to dominate in Weymouth and team manager Stephen Park has already insisted every sailor in the 22-strong Olympic and Paralympic squad can win a medal.

Team GB topped the sailing medal table with six in Beijing – four golds, a silver and a bronze – four years ago to heighten the expectation this summer.

Young, in her Olympic debut, goes in the Laser Radial class after winning selection and welcomes the pressure.

"It's good. We've got a strong team with a lot of experience. There are a few new teams as well but we're strong," said Young, aged 25.

"People have proved themselves in the past so there's nothing they don't know.

"There's a lot of hype about the Games and a lot of it's going to be on Team GB.

"People say it's a home Games and it's going to be amazing, but I've got nothing to compare it to. You have to break it down to what it is – it's just another racing day at Weymouth – and look at it that way.

"All of it will be a bit of a circus with a big build-up and you just have to block out all that noise.

"But the torch is coming through Portland next week and there is a buzz about the place.

"There is a bit more of a feel about it.

"It was a massive confidence boost being selected; I was pretty stunned to be honest.

"But I have to keep doing what I'm doing – keep working hard to get a medal."

Alison Young displays the sailing skills that have earned her a place in the GB Olympic team for London 2012

Flying the flag – Alison Young will take her Olympic bow

Woffinden is poised for return

SPEEDWAY star Tai Woffinden is poised to make his Wolves comeback on Monday after getting the all-clear from medical experts.

The 21-year-old has been sidelined since May 14 after breaking the scaphoid bone in his wrist in a smash with Ryan Fisher at the Gary Peterson Memorial meeting.

The bone was pinned, but a scan this week was crucial to Woffinden's season – a campaign-ending bone graft was the alternative had progress not been made.

But Woffinden, speaking minutes after getting the specialist's verdict in Derby, said: "It's pretty good.

"He said it's healing – not healed, but healing.

"It's OK for me to start riding again, but not racing.

"But if I can ride, I can race."

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Captain's innings sees Bewdley home

Bewdley Cricket Club

Stourport (3pts) 165, Bewdley (20pts) 166-5. Bewdley won by five wickets

BEWDLEY won the much-heralded local derby against Stourport by a comfortable five wickets, ***writes David Mills.***

Asked to bat, visitors Stourport got off to a sticky start, losing their first four wickets for 36 in this Worcestershire County League Division Two fixture.

Once more, Ewan Peer took an early wicket, and yet again Martyn Carr (4-44) made substantial inroads.

Stourport's fortunes began to revive with a 47 stand between Craig and Andy Siwicki, but David Jones (4-53) produced an unplayable delivery to bowl Andy, and then deceived Craig (46) into offering a simple catch.

At 126-9 Stourport seemed down and out, but Andy Platt (27 not out) and Lee Waldron batted sensibly to raise the score to 165.

In reply Bewdley lost an early wicket, but Matt Cowdery (25) and Simon Mauger (32) continued their recent good form, and Gareth Lewis and Ben Jones made useful contributions.

It was captain Rob Combes who made the telling contribution with a beautifully paced 58 not out which saw Bewdley home with nearly three overs to spare.

Andy Platt (3-60) was the pick of the bowlers in a match which featured friendly verbal sparring in the build-up but was played in an excellent spirit.

Hagley (15pts) 210, Bewdley (8pts) 183-9. Draw

Bewdley seconds performed with credit away at Division One leaders Hagley on Saturday but had to settle for a losing draw.

The result saw the team increase the gap between themselves and the relegation zone.

Bewdley asked the home side to bat first on a slow pitch and Hagley set about amassing a useful score and Simon James (67) anchored the innings

With Daniel Morgan (38) and Ian Moss (36) rather more carefree, Hagley looked well poised for a big score as they entered the final 15 overs with the total at 172-3.

But regular wickets stopped the momentum as Cyril Ramsey took 3-39 and Stephen Molyneux 4-14.

Bewdley lost three wickets with barely 20 on the board. Luke Groves (45) and Molyneux (55) gave them hope with a fourth-wicket partnership but both were dismissed in quick succession and it was left to Robert Crane (19 not out) to bat out.

Henry James – picked

Club junior picked to join Wales golf squad

KIDDERMINSTER Golf Club junior Henry James has been picked for international honours.

James has been selected to represent Wales in the European boys championship at Lindingo Golf Club, Sweden.

The 16-nation event takes place from July 10-14.

James, who won several competitions last year, is one of a team of six players to fly out.

He's in good form, coming second in a Worcester amateur event, winning the GD Carr Cup and finishing runner-up in the Kings Norton Oak Midland event.

James, currently in his last year as a junior, plays off plus two and hopes to get to plus three by the year's end.

Meanwhile, the captain's weekend at Kidderminster Golf Club was a resounding success.

Saturday results. Nearest the pin: Fifth hole Alan Palmer, 10th hole Paul Lamb, 15th hole Jon Thompson.

Nearest the blue line: Sandra Hinton. **Yellow ball competition:** 1 Mark Dudley, James Bulmer, Josh Thorpe, Tony Tench 82pts, 2 Paul Simmons, Trevor Hatt, Steve O'Connor, Kevin Woodham 78, 3 Scott Mason, Mike Brennan, Dave Wiggins, Mat Houghton 75.

Sunday results. Nearest the pin: Fifth hole Trevor Hatt, 10th hole Gary Saunders, 15th hole Mark Dudley. **Nearest the blue line:** Mark Dudley. **Am Am:** 1 Mark Dudley, James Bulmer, Mathew Rock, Kevin Leach 88pts, 2 Kevin Isaac, Trevor Hatt, Mike Nicholson, Kevin Woodham 81, 3 Scott Mason, Mike Brennan, Dave Wiggins, Scott Davey 80.

Star Kennedy boosts Robins

EUROPEAN Cup winner Alan Kennedy was the star of the show as Dudley Town FC enjoyed a successful sportsman's evening at Gornal British Legion.

The night was well supported by players, friends and family of the club and raised funds for the Robins ahead of the West Midlands Premier Division campaign that kicks off in August.

Club chairman Stephen Austin said: "This was a wonderful evening."

PATIENCE A VIRTUE IN CENTURY STAND

Kidderminster Victoria CC

Wellington (2pts) 130, Kidderminster Victoria (20pts) 134-3. KVCC won by seven wickets

A VERY good team performance took Kidderminster Victoria up to sixth in the Birmingham League Premier table.

But the result left Wellington, runners-up last year, struggling in the bottom spot. KVCC, with Neil Pinner as captain in place of Jonathan Wright, who was unavailable, won the toss and elected to field, ***writes Brian Gittins.***

All the visitors' bowlers performed well, with spinners Pinner and Mark Mansell once again bowling a long spell, getting through 34 overs unchanged.

However, it was the two pace bowlers, Richard Kimberlin and Connor Smith who set the ball rolling.

The first four wickets fell for 39 runs inside 17 overs. John Rowan was in superb catching form to help dismiss three of the batsmen.

Kimberlin was the first to strike, with Adam Byram (8), holing out to Rowan fielding on the boundary.

Treble

The same two players removed Ross Aucott for a duck and Rowan completed his treble with a very good catch off the bowling of Smith, dismissing Michael Johnson for 20. Kimberlin then bowled Tom Saunders for four.

Kimberlin's match figures were 11-5-11-3, while Smith's were 7-0-27-1.

Wendell Wagner had come in at number four, and was to give KVCC plenty to think about. But he had little support.

Pinner and Mansell tied up Wellington's batsmen. Their first eight overs were maidens, with Pinner taking the fifth wicket, Matthew Tilt (five) caught by Ryan Derrick. Pinner bowled Matthew Dickinson for a duck, leaving the home team struggling at 65-6.

Wagner showed great patience, but came off the leash to hit the occasional loose delivery for six.

A caught and bowled by Mansell dismissed Sam Lloyd for one, before a stand of 45. Matt Pardoe's first over cost nine runs, Wagner scoring all of them, but in his second over he bowled Anthony O'Connor for eight.

Wagner was hitting out, but his end came when he was caught by Connor Smith bowled Pardoe, for a splendid 72. He had batted for two hours, faced 121 balls, hitting four fours and six sixes. Matthew Stinson was run out for eight with Steven Moules not out without scoring.

Pinner (2-45) and Mansell (1-32) did a fine job, with Pardoe (1-12) taking the important wicket of Wagner.

A poor batting surface required the patience of a batsman like Wagner as Kidderminster soon found out.

They replicated the start of Wellington's innings by losing their first three wickets for only 33. It was Wagner who did the damage, getting Marc Edwards out lbw for one, and bowling Pinner for seven. Opener Pardoe was going well, but on 22 (two fours and a six) he was bowled by O'Connor.

Enter Ben Cox and Andy Kimberlin. Like Wagner, they showed patience, and it paid dividends.

Kimberlin usually opens the innings, but played an outstanding innings as the anchorman to the free-hitting Cox. The partnership produced 101 runs, winning the match with nearly 25 overs to spare.

Cox relished the challenge, at times cautious, but striking anything loose to the boundary. Kimberlin supported him well, again putting the bad ball away.

They won the match with Cox on 70 not out, nine fours and two sixes, while Kimberlin was unbeaten on 26, striking four fours.

On Saturday Kidderminster Victoria travel to league leaders Walsall. The home side will be out for revenge having been knocked out of the National Knockout by Kidderminster.

Kidderminster stage a county second XI one-day match, Worcestershire v Nottinghamshire, on July 2 followed by a three-day game between the same opponents.

Timber! Kidderminster's Richard Kimberlin bowls Tom Saunders for just four

Ton-derful as Bennett puts Mark on match

COOKLEY'S two sides each had an entertaining match against Harborne.

It was a winning draw for the firsts and a losing one for the seconds.

Cookley (18pts) 285-5, Harborne (5pts) 207-9. Draw

Mark Bennett was at his best with a wonderful 117 in Cookley's 285-5. Ben Quinlan also impressed with four sixes in his 36 not out.

Dan Soley took a wicket with the first ball of the last over but Harborne's last pair hung on to prevent a victory for the villagers.

However, the winning draw points kept Cookley remain top of Worcestershire County League Division Three.

Harborne (15pts) 290-3 dec, Cookley (7pts) 226-7. Draw

Skipper Simon Anderson won the toss and took three catches.

But he also watched his own bowling and that of the rest of the team disappear to all parts of the village.

Harborne, led by skipper Dave Rankin with 135, threatened to break records and car windows.

After the visitors declared Cookley earned some self-respect by posting 226-7 with Harry Madeley's 82 the highlight, well supported by Jack Taylor's patient 55.

Gilt Edge chance to join judo club

SAMURAI Judo Club in Kidderminster stage a get-together and the formal opening of their new building at Gilt Edge on Sunday.

Any former members who have dropped out of judo are very welcome to attend. For details about this or starting judo, call 0776 1122977 or visit the website on www.samurai.org.uk

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